

Town of Lebanon, Connecticut Meeting Minutes Economic Development Commission

**Thursday, May 3rd, 2007
Lower Level Conference Area Town Hall**

0.0 0.0 Call To Order

- 0.1 The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am. Present were: Kent Sleath, Ellen Macauley, John Kolar, and Mary Thompson, members and Phil Chester, Town Planner, guest. Absent was Paul Leduc.

1.0 Welcome Guests

1.1 Town Planner:

- 1.1.1 The town planner reported that the Gilman project is moving toward financing. The bldg. will be roughly 32,000 sf; there are no tax concessions as part of this project; and a STEAP grant will be used for energy upgrades.
- 1.1.2 The farmers' market has 15 vendors to date and will start on 6/30. These vendors all carry their own insurance.
- 1.1.3 There has been a proposal for a truck terminal in the I zone on Rte. 207 near Earthgro to house 10 trucks. The regulation wording will have to be changed to allow that use as a special exception in that zone. Members asked that "truck terminal" be deleted from the B zone and that the planner work on the goal of straightening out some of the allowed uses in the B zone because of the small lot size allowed.
- 1.1.4 The members asked that the planner meet with the group representing the business people in Lebanon.

1.0 2.0 Old Business

2.1 Business Expo planning meeting will be on 5/8 at the Country Convenience Store. M. Thompson asked that an EDC member cover the meeting. She cannot attend. J. Kolar volunteered. A sample flier put was distributed to the EDC members and suggestions were made before distribution.

2.2 Report on ISP (no report—P. Leduc absent). K. Sleath suggested contacting a business school to assist and he will contact such school/schools.

2.3 M. Thompson moved to accept the minutes of 4/3/07. J. Kolar seconded. Passed with E. Macauley abstaining.

3.0 New Business

3.1 Girl Scouts are having a plant sale on 5/5 and 5/6.

3.2 CEDAS course information was handed out to the members, date of program is 5/15, members interested cannot attend because not enough notice. Discussion on dates of correspondence and notice to members. K. Sleath will ask L. Leduc if he is interested in attending. Motion made by Thompson, seconded by Macauley to allot up to \$80 for registration fees for EDC members to attend.

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2.0 New Business (continued):

3.3 Next meeting will be 6/7 10am-12pm at Town Hall. K. Sleath will send out updated calendar by email.

3.4 M. Thompson reported that the topic of alternates on EDC was brought up at the last Selectperson's meeting. All EDC members think alternates is a good idea for continuity of business.

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3.0 Adjourn

3.1 M. Thompson moved, E. Macauley seconded to adjourn; passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:02 am.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mary E. Thompson, Secretary

