Town of Lebanon, Connecticut Meeting Minutes Economic Development Commission

Date: March 6, 2007 7 pm Community Center

0.0 0.0 Call To Order

O.1 The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm. Present were Chairman, Kent Sleath; members: Mary Thompson, Ellen Macauley, and Paul LeDuc. There were no guests present.

1.0 2.0 Old Business

- 1.1 2.6 Mary Thompson moved, Ellen Macauley seconded, that approval of the previous minutes be taken out of order. Approved unanimously. Paul LeDuc moved, Ellen Macauley seconded that the minutes be approved as written. Approved unanimously.
- 2.0 Kent Sleath reported that the Gilman plant application will be presented at the next regular P&Z meeting in March.
- 2.1 Kent Sleath reported that letters have gone out from the Planning office to encourage participation in the Farmers Market.
- 2.2 Mary Thompson reported that only two business questionaires had been returned . She also asked if the EDC can present the questionaire again at the next LCBA meeting. Ellen Macauley and Kent Sleath volunteered to help hand them out and get them back. Mary Thompson will provide the questionaire copies. She will ask Ginny Stein to be put on the agenda again.
- 2.3 Paul LeDuc reported that he has been looking into wifi, briefly spoken with the second selectperson concerning same, and will speak to Jason Stein.
- 2.4 Motion made by Ellen Macauley and seconded by Paul LeDuc to table consideration of recommendations for regulation changes until Wednesday, March 12th so the members can work on them and add the items that all members had unanimously approved at the January and February meetings. Kent Sleath will see if the conference room can be made available on March 12th, and if not, Ellen Macauley offered the use of her home.
- 2.5 Kent Sleath reported that he had spoken to the owner of the land by Jaspers and the owner has no definite plans for the property. He also presented the tax assessor's card that showed that the land value of the whole parcel (not subdivided into the proposed lot plus the currently used property) is over \$200000, suggesting that any sale price would be high. M. Thompson reported that she'd heard that the EDC's position is that it should remain as a business property and reiterated that there were four

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options presented by members at the February meeting for uses of that property, one being annexation by the town and three being business uses.

2.0 3.0 New Business

2.1 Kent Sleath presented a letter from the town planner to the Selectpersons concerning enlarging the fund to preserve open space in Lebanon. Mary Thompson moved, Ellen Macauley seconded that we table this item until March 12th when all members have had a chance to read the letter and understand how the fund would be financed. Approved unanimously.

3.0 Adjourn

3.1 Paul LeDuc moved, Ellen Macauley seconded that we adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

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Submitted By:

Mary E. Thompson Secretary