## Town of Lebanon, Connecticut Meeting Minutes Economic Development Commission

SPECIAL MEETING March 14, 2007 Community Center 9am

## 0.0 Call To Order

0.1 The special meeting of the Economic Development Commission was called to order at 9:15 am by the Chairperson, Kent Sleath. Attending were Mary Thompson, Paul LeDuc and Ellen Macauley, members. There were no guests present.

SEAL

## 1.0 Old Business

1.1 The meeting was called to order to discuss the letter (as revised 1/23/07) sent by the town planner, Phil Chester to Joyce Okonuk pertaining to a \$100,000 set aside for the purpose of permanently preserving land as open space in Lebanon and to develop a list of recommendations from the EDC to the Planning and Zoning Commission as to changes in the Zoning Ordinance.

Mary Thompson moved to discuss the letter first. Ellen Macauley seconded. Approved. Thompson moved that the town proceed with \$100,000 allocation from tax monies annually with the EDC's recommendation as follows: "that the money be allocated to two separate fund accounts with \$50,000 going to an open space fund, and \$50,000 for a fund account used to specifically purchase land for public parkland and recreation.." Paul LeDuc seconded. Discussion included the need for town owned park land in various parts of the community for use by all the citizens in future years and the fact that even small, green parks of a few acres make a neighborhood more desireable for the residents. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Thompson to use Kent Sleath's outline as a guide to suggest changes to the Zoning Ordinance with other changes being added or deleted as necessary. Seconded by Macauley. Approved. Discussion ensued with many proposals/wording made. Kent Sleath will take all changes and email them to the members as soon as possible for final approval at the next regular EDC meeting scheduled 4/03/07.

Motion made to adjourn at 10:55am by Paul LeDuc and seconded by Ellen Macauley.

Submitted By:

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Mary E. Thompson, Secretary

