

TOWN OF BOLTON
Economic Development Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 30, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.
Room 9, Notch Road Municipal Center

Chairman Bill Anderson presided. Commission members also in attendance were Alex Ansaldi, Cathy Teller and Milton Hathaway. Also present was Board Clerk, Leslie Brand and two members of the public

I. Call to Order: B. Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

II. Approval/Modification of Minutes of March 26, 2019 Meeting

C. Teller moved to accept the minutes as written. A. Ansaldi seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Public Comment/Introduction of Guests:

Two guests sat in on the meeting to see how the EDC functions and they expressed some interest in joining the commission. They questioned if there was any plan to have surrounding towns work together on economic development, perhaps by hiring a consultant. C. Teller noted that there are three openings on the commission-one full member and two alternates. The commission members shared background information on the commission along with some of the commission's challenges and successes.

IV. On-going Business

A. Commission Members' Reports

1. P&Z Activities

No minutes posted from the last P&Z meeting.

2. Quarterly Meetings w/ Land Use Boards

B. Anderson is awaiting a response from S. Pierog.

3. TCCC EDC subcommittee

There was an open house at "Ray Page the Plumber" in Vernon. B. Anderson noted that Dean Cabinetry is interested in joining the TCCC and having a ribbon cutting for the grand opening of their new location.

4. Bolton Pond/Freja Park

Discussion is on hold pending the hiring of the new Town Administrator.

5. Stop Light @ Quarry Rd. & Route 44

B. Anderson reached out to R. Morra regarding a safety committee. The safety committee meets as needed and this concern will be added to the agenda.

6. Outreach/Training

Nothing new to report.

B. EDC website

1. Updating Bolton Business Yellow Pages

Work is on hold pending the hiring of the new Town Administrator.

C. Branding Project/Welcome Signs

No update from J. Stille.

D. Bike Walk Bolton Proposal

A. Ansaldi presented the proposed map for the kiosk. Proofreading remains to be done. John Dean Custom Cabinets needs to be removed from the map as they are relocating. There was discussion and concern about some businesses that aren't currently on the map. Also, the map needs to be expanded to include Exit 5. A. Ansaldi will follow up with the vendor. A. Ansaldi also noted that the DOT has not approved the installation of the kiosk. C. Teller moved to expend up to an additional \$150.00 to make the changes to the map. M. Hathaway seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

E. 300th Anniversary Celebration (2020)

B. Anderson proposed talking points when meeting with businesses: Would they like to participate in the grand opening of the greenway, participate in the 300th anniversary celebration, have their business on the kiosk, or sponsor "Welcome to Bolton" signs.

F. Rt. 44 Study Plan Review

The review was tabled due to time constraints.

G. Budget Balance

The budget summary was presented.

V. New Business/Other items not on the agenda

No new business.

VI. Announcements

A. Next EDC Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 9 of the Notch Road Municipal Center.

VII. Adjournment

M. Hathaway moved to adjourn at 9:31p.m. A. Ansaldi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie J. Brand

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Board Clerk

Please see the minutes of subsequent meetings for the approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.