

**TOWN OF BOLTON**  
**Economic Development Commission**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
February 26, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.  
Room 10, Notch Road Municipal Center

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

- I. Call to Order:** B. Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.
- II. Approval/Modification of Minutes of January 29, 2019 Meeting**
  - A. Ansaldi moved to accept the minutes as submitted. M. Hathaway seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- III. Public Comment/Introduction of Guests:** None
- IV. On-going Business**
  - A. Commission Members' Reports**
    - 1. P&Z Activities**

Able Coil permit was conditionally approved. Public comment is allowed on regulation definitions although this is only mentioned on the agenda.

B. Anderson to Email Patrice Carson to see if this information can be added to the website.
    - 2. Quarterly Meetings w/ Land Use Boards**

B. Anderson sent an Email to S. Pierog. Two meetings will be scheduled for this year.
    - 3. TCCC EDC subcommittee**

M. Hathaway attended a meeting regarding crumbling foundations. Over forty towns are affected. M. Hathaway also attended a networking event at UCONN.
    - 4. Bolton Pond/Freja Park**

M. Hathaway went to the last Conservation Commission meeting to inquire if they were going to take any action at Bolton Pond as he feels that the pond is deteriorating. The BCC perspective is that it is not deteriorating. B. Anderson feels that the dam should be repaired and the BCC was in agreement at the time that he spoke to them. B. Anderson suggested waiting until the new Town Administrator is hired to send a united letter to the State from the administrator, the First Selectman and the EDC. M. Hathaway to see if he has contact information. A. Ansaldi will check with one of his engineering contacts to get his opinion on the dam repair.
    - 5. Stop Light @ Quarry Rd. & Route 44**

Robert Morra sent a letter to the State requesting a left turn signal. No response has been received. B. Anderson will follow up with R. Morra.
    - 6. Outreach/Training**

No report.

**B. EDC website**

**1. Updating Bolton Business Yellow Pages**

B. Anderson to request a copy of the grand list to determine the businesses in town. A. Ansaldi spoke with the Town of Hebron. The Hebron EDC sent out a mailing to the businesses in town. The Town Managers office maintains the data on their website. B. Anderson suggested presenting the BOS with a rough outline of ideas on how to best manage this. A. Ansaldi to work on this.

**C. Branding Project/Welcome Signs**

No new information.

**D. Bike Walk Bolton Proposal**

**1. Report from A. Ansaldi**

A. Ansaldi contacted Collinsville regarding their map and he received a design quote to produce something similar for Bolton for the businesses that are accessible from the bike path. The EDC will share these findings with Bike Walk Bolton. B. Anderson will Email B. Amodio for help in determining what businesses to include on the map.

**E. 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (2020)**

**1. Report from A. Ansaldi**

A. Ansaldi reached out to Molly Devaney to see how Manchester handles fund raising for fireworks. The EDC will keep in contact with Pam Sawyer regarding the celebration. B. Anderson spoke with Munson's regarding the production of a commemorative chocolate coin. Munson's will contact Pam Sawyer with any follow up.

**F. Rt. 44 Study Plan Review**

The EDC will be reviewing the items that are assigned to them. A suggestion was made to have the new Town Administrator take charge of managing these projects. B. Anderson suggested that the cost of projects be published on the website. Signage and Gateway Strategies and Pedestrian/Bicyclist Circulation Strategies were discussed. The pending welcome signs and the State provided labeling of parks, boat launch, etc. satisfy the signage suggestion. The bike trail partially satisfies the Pedestrian connectivity: B. Anderson suggested thinking about creating rights of way to develop more bike paths in town.

**G. Budget Balance**

No report.

**V. New Business/Other items not on the agenda**

C. Teller finished the letter for Jim Aldrich regarding building code issues. B. Anderson will present the letter at the next BOS meeting.

B. Anderson presented the EDC Trust Fund rules. B. Anderson to request a copy of the balance and will research possible investment options.

**VI. Announcements**

A. Next EDC Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 9 of the Notch Road Municipal Center.

**VII. Adjournment**

A. Ansaldi moved to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. M. Hathaway seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Leslie J. Brand*

Leslie Brand  
Board Clerk

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