



## **Economic Development Commission**

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### **Regular Meeting**

**Thursday – January 17, 2013 @ 7:00PM**

#### **Location:**

**New Town Hall Conference Room  
40 Main Street – North Stonington, CT 06359**

#### **(Draft) Minutes**

**Chairman David Isom called the meeting to order @ 7:07pm with quorum.**

#### **Members Present:**

**David Isom, Robert Kimball, Raymond Geer, Peter Bogoian, Christine Wagner  
Brett Mastroianni (arrived @ 7:37pm)**

#### **Members Absent:**

**Marilyn Mackay**

#### **Consultants Present:**

**Juliet Leeming, NS Planner & ZEO**

**Motion was made by Christine Wagner and seconded by Peter Bogoian to approve draft minutes of meeting held on December 20, 2012 with the following amendments:**

- . Add “without Quorum” to Call To Order
- . Add “Commission member Brett Mastroianni arrived at 7:20 to complete Quorum”
- . Add “Voted to add Election of Offices to Agenda”
- . Remove “Ballots were distributed between Kimball and Mastroianni”
- . Add (under Election) “Paper Ballots were distributed by Chairman Peter Bogoian for the Election of the contested Vice-Chairman seat between Robert Kimball and Brett Mastroianni. Brett Mastroianni won the Vice Chairman seat 3-1-1.
- . Change “Marilyn Mackay moved for” to “Marilyn Mackay moved to recommend”

**Motion Carried 6-0**

#### **Treasurer’s Report:**

Christine Wagner needs SEC Approval before taking over as Treasurer. Robert Kimball to fill in until Christine’s approval has been granted. No Treasurer’s Report given. Balance in budget from November’s meeting was \$6503.00.

The Mission of the Economic Development Commission is to enhance the economic well being and long-term prosperity of North Stonington by serving as an important catalyst for new business and a critical resource for existing businesses who wish to grow, in a community that values its rich rural heritage, authentic New England character and rare quality of life.

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The Bylaws Review Committee (Ray Geer & Brett Mastroianni) presented their proposed changes to the North Stonington Town Ordinance (Sec 2-54) which gives EDC its authority. Proposed changes included the addition of Alternate Commission Members, the use of “electronic media” to further the Commissions purpose and clarification on Terms of Office. A Final draft will be presented for vote at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

Chairman David Isom & Consultant Juliet Leeming review the initiatives contained in the Mark Waterhouse’s Economic Development Plan that was adopted by EDC at its December 2012 meeting. It was decided that EDC would start by tackling two Plan Initiatives in 2013. (Initiative #1 Team Building & #9 Business Communications Plan and Improvements). Commission members Christine Wagner & Brett Mastroianni will head up Initiative #1 and Commission members Bob Kimball & Ray Geer will head up Initiative #9.

Past EDC Chairman, Peter Bogoian, presented a draft report of EDC Activity for 2012. Consultant Juliet Leeming volunteered to “beef up” the report so it could be used to justify future EDC Budgets.

Under other business,

Consultant Juliet Leeming presented a report of P&Z Activity for November 2012 – January 2013.

Consultant Juliet Leeming asked Commission if it was a paid member of CEDA. Chairman David Isom will check for Town Treasurer on status.

Discussed the Metro Hartford Alliance “Economic Development Seminar for Public Officials”

February 14, 2013 Mark Waterhouse will present the EDC Plan to P&Z seeking their endorsement.

Letter from Board of Selectman asking for EDC to submit its upcoming Budget by January 28, 2013.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Commission Member Raymond Geer (acting Secretary)