

EDC Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 16, 2014
New Town Hall

Meeting convened at 6:10pm

Members Present

Chair, Brett Mastroianni
Vice Chair, David Isom
Treasurer, Christine Wagner
Secretary, Andrea Sadowski
Bernard "Bing" Bartick
Barbara Campagna, Alternate

Members Absent

Marilyn Mackay
Raymond Geer
Robert "Bob" Kimball
George Tattersall, Alternate

Town Officials Present

Nick Mullane
Juliet Leeming

Public Comment

No public comment.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved with one change. Bernard was present at the August meeting and Robert was absent. Changes will be made to the August minutes before final minutes are submitted. Moved for approval by Christine; seconded by Bernard, all were in favor and motion was passed.

Treasurers Report

Christine gave the treasurers report. She stated that 6% of the budget has been used. There was a payment made for \$615 to Citizens and she is unaware why it was made. It was determined that Christine will receive more detailed statements about what is being taken out for what in future transactions.

Agenda Additions

There were no additions to the agenda.

Update on EDC Position and Vote on Evaluation

Packet was handed out for ad to fill part-time EDC position. It also included job description, Garnet reports, EDC initiatives, and evaluation criteria. The deadline for filling the position will be open until filled. Discussion was held on whether to accept the evaluation criteria for the Part-Time Economic Development Coordinator. Dave moved to accept the Part-Time Economic Development Coordinator Evaluation Criteria for the part-time EDC position based on the attached Garnet Report as recommended by the First Selectman to proceed with the job posting. Bernard seconded the motion; all were in favor. The motion was passed.

Website Update

Ray was absent from meeting. He's looking to resign from the committee in January 2015. Juliet updated on the website. The link is incorrect to be directed from other websites. They aren't being directed to the North Stonington EDC website but to the old EDC website. The cost of \$1295.00 included training which hasn't been done yet. Training will wait until the part-time EDC position has been filled so that person can also attend the training.

At that time Juliet also gave some ideas for the EDC to look into since she will be leaving. She suggested applying for a grant. It is the Preservation of Place Grant. The money can be used for a small scale vision plan to help determine what the town residents see happening in that area of RT 2 village. There are 2 historical buildings in that area. She also suggested that someone should be tracking leasing availabilities for businesses to be posted monthly to every 6 months. That way someone who is interested and looking for a building or business lease can find that all in one spot. It is an idea for maybe the new part-time EDC specialist to start when they first come aboard.

Bernard moved to adjourn; Christine seconded the motion, all were in favor of adjourning. The meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Next Meeting

Thursday, November 20, 2014 @ 6:00pm, New Town Hall