Economic Development Commission Meeting

Monday, January 9th, 2023, at 6:30

In Person and Via Zoom

Minutes

1. **Call to Order**: Chris Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm.

2. **Members in Attendance**: Christopher Anderson, Emily Lewis, Will Mason, and Mariah Pfiffner

3. **Members absent**: Sam Cherenzia, Jen Anderson, and Stefan Grufstedt

4. **Staff Present**: none

5. **Approval of Minutes**: none

6. **Public Comment**: None

7. **Treasurer's Report**:   Approval of Greater Mystic Chamber of Commerce 2023 Bill for $311.00. Chris Anderson made a motion to approve the bill and Will Mason made the 2nd. Motion was approved.

8. **PZDO Report:** Commission will meet with Juliet at the February meeting. It will be with the public for a workshop on the EDC component in the Plan of Conservation and Development. Commission agrees that they should hold a special meeting to prepare for that workshop. Special meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 25th at 6:30 in conference room of Education Center. Will Mason made the motion for special meeting, 2nd by Chris Anderson. Motion was approved.

9. **New Business:**

   a. Budget: Discussion to keep line items the same as the previous year. Want to make sure that the assistant is still included and also add $4500 for the use of a consultant. Consultant will help with data for EDC plan and for use in recruiting businesses/what areas need to be looked at throughout town. Operating expenses 4900, CT Regional Memberships 2455, and Economic Development Assistant/ Consultant 10,500. Budget total $17,855. Emily Lewis made the motion to approve the 2023-2024 to send to Board of Finance. Will Mason made the 2nd. Motion was approved.

b. Website-new changes look good. Will keep monitoring.

c. EDC plan- Special meeting will discuss further

d. Small Business grant- no businesses have applied at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM by Chris Anderson

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Lewis, EDC Secretary