

Economic Development Commission Meeting

Tuesday, February 1st, 2022, at 5:30

In Person and Via Zoom

Minutes

1. **Call to Order**: Christopher Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.
2. **Members in Attendance**: Christopher Anderson, Will Mason, Emily Lewis, and Mariah Pfiffner
3. **Members absent**: Salvatore Cherenzia IV, Christopher Friday, Jennifer Anderson, and Stefan Grufstedt
4. **Staff Present**: Nathan Reichert, PZDO and Jim Russell, IT Manager
5. **NO QUORUM**: Upon the call of the roll, it was determined that the meeting lacked a quorum. Due the lack of a quorum, the EDC could not conduct business.
6. **WORKSHOP**: Due to the lack of a quorum the EDC was not permitted to conduct business. All agreed to convert the business meeting into a workshop. The EDC received a briefing from Jim Russell about options to update the EDC's options to have a website presence. The options included updating the information on the current page on the town website, making a subpage from the town website or creating an entirely different EDC website. No action was taken.
7. **Approval of Minutes**: None
8. **Public Comment**: None
9. **Treasurers Report**: None
10. **PZDO Report**: January report will be sent out to members as well as a listing of emails of businesses
- 11.. **NEW BUSINESS**: Discussion over website options as well as a social media presence. No action was taken.
12. **Old Business**:

a. Budget Presentation Preparation-budget would be reworked based on what avenue the commission takes on website design

b. Update on “North Stonington Works Employer Hiring Bonus Grant Program

* Implementation and Marketing Plan update- Selectman Mastroianni indicated that there had been one applicant and there was discussion on how to market and email the information out to businesses.

c. Update on Business Operational/ Infrastructure

* Commission will look over current application and come to next meeting prepared for discussion.

d. 2022 regular meeting dates- will check with members not present about scheduling conflicts/ideas

13. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 by Chris Anderson

14 . **Next Meeting:** March 1st 2022, 5:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily Lewis

Secretary, Economic Development Commission