

## **Economic Development Citizens Advisory Committee (EDCAC)**

Minutes for June 13, 2012

Held in Town Hall Conference Room

Present: Susan Lee, Linda Bonetti, Marc Casseres, Doug Dowell, Ed Fasci, Greg Michael, Richard Tucker

Town Council Representative: Bill Boyd

Absent: N/A

Excused: N/A

Public/Guests: N/A

7:15 pm Chair Susan Lee Called meeting to order

Meeting chaired by Chairperson Susan Lee.

### **Announcements:**

- ERZ's have been established at old Shaw's and Zyla's through the State.
- NH has been identified as one of the top 10 places for small business (source not identified)
- Grand Opening for Merrimack Premium Outlets is June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- Rib Fest and Bike weekend also taking place this weekend; it is an exciting and busy time in Merrimack.

### **Old Business:**

Review of RSA 79-e:

- The briefing was reviewed and updated by the Committee at the May EDCAC Meeting.
- Tim Thompson has reviewed the draft briefing and he is concerned about making a specific recommendation for a designated zone (may be limiting or create obligation for the Town)
- Susan will invite Tim to our July meeting to discuss his concerns with the Committee.
- In Jan. 2012 Matt Walsh advised the Committee that 79-e should be used to entice a business to Merrimack, but not applied to any project that was going to happen on its own.
- A discussion ensued about the need and definition of a town center. Greg will invite a member(s) of the Master Plan Committee to a future meeting to brief the EDCAC on any proposed Town Center designation.
- The Committee struck the language from the package recommending any specific Town Center.
- Established a schedule to brief the Town Council on RSA79-e at their August meeting.
- The Committee will create and provide a sample application for this 79-e consideration to Tim Thompson for his consideration.

**New Business:**

Doug Dowell submitted for the record compliments for Mark Casseres' efforts on the ERZ Presentations.

**Review of Prior Minutes:**

Review of January 2012 minutes deferred to July meeting

Review of May 2012 minutes was conducted.

- Several "proof reading" changes were made to the proposed minutes
- Ed made a motion to accept the minutes as modified. Doug 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the Vote was 4-0-2 in the affirmative, and the motion passed.

**Closing Comments:**

The next meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2012 in the Town Hall Conference Room

Linda made a Motion to close the meeting, which was seconded by Ed and was carried 6-0-0. Susan then closed the meeting at 8:30 pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted to the Committee by,  
Richard S. Tucker  
Secretary – Economic Development Citizens Advisory Committee

These minutes were approved on 8/8/2012 by a vote of 6-0-0, on a motion made by Ed Fasci and seconded by Chris Woods.