

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES of the Meeting of January 24, 2018

Present

Commissioners:

Michael Lynch, Chairman; Greg Harla, Vice Chairman; Jennifer Clinton; John DePalma;
Victor Ferrante; Michael Crowley; Paige Miglio

Absent

Julie Nash; Carlo Piselli; Gary Mullin

I. CALL TO ORDER & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman Lynch called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm. This committee voted unanimously for Mr. Lynch to continue serving as Chairman and Mr. Harla to continue serving as Vice Chairman.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2017 MEETING

Ms. Clinton and Mr. Ferrante made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of November 15, 2017. Unanimously approved.

A. APPROVAL OF 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

This Committee unanimously approved the 2018 EDC meeting schedule.

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Chairman Lynch commented on the priority of working on the EDC project list, co-sponsoring events and planning more "Meet & Greets" for 2018. He commented on several new businesses opening city-wide. A discussion ensued.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

V. CORRESPONDENCE – None

VI. 2018 CEDS UPDATE

Ms. Malmberg & Ms. Kozlowski presented an update on CEDS regional plan to promote tourism, economic development and create jobs. They discussed collaborating with committees to focus on key issues in the region. They explained processes & overall findings including strengths & weaknesses, opportunities & threats to businesses in the region. A discussion ensued.

VII. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY – None

VIII. STANDING ITEMS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. DOWNTOWN UPDATE – None

B. CHAMBER – None

C. PERMIT & LAND USE – None

D. VISITATION REPORTS – None

E. TOURISM

Ms. Miglio commented on recent meetings with Ms. Washburn and Milford hotels to discuss tourism and packaging. She also discussed "MAC experiences" to partner arts with shops and restaurants downtown.

F. MILFORD HARBOR – None

IX. MILFORD MARKETING – None

X. EDC PROJECT DISCUSSION

A. PROJECT LIST – None

XI. OLD BUSINESS – None

XII. NEW BUSINESS – None

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m. A motion was unanimously carried to finalize the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Diamond
Recorder