

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES of the Meeting of November 16, 2011

Present: Commissioners: Cyrus Settineri, John DePalma, Robert Kapusta, John O'Neil, and Susan Patrick

Absent: Commissioner Genevieve Salvatore

Advisor: Robert Gregory

Press: Brian McCready, NH Register

I. Chairman Settineri called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

II. Public Comments – None

III. Minutes

The minutes of the October 26, 2011, meeting was accepted as presented.

IV. Economic Development Activity

Mr. Gregory outlined the development activity in his report.

V. Correspondence – None

VI. Committee Reports

A. Brokers Showcase

Discussion was held regarding future events. Comments revolved about day of the week, speaker, and location. Bob Smith and Lou D'Amato were mentioned as speakers.

B. Building and Land Use

Problems were discussed with the possibility of change in the system.

C. Business Visitation – No Report

D. Plan of Conservation and Development

Ms. Patrick said that she would have recommendations for the Commission to consider at the December meeting.

E. Economic Development Plan – No Report

F. Anti-Blight Program

Chairman Settineri said that he was interested in some kind of policies that would encourage upkeep of properties. Discussion was held about the creation of a special zone.

VII. Old Business

A. Rules of Procedure

A motion was made by Mr. Kapusta and seconded by Mr. DePalma and Mr. Stanton. Discussion was held about the limitation of terms.

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VIII. New Business

Mayor Blake would be invited to be a guest at the December meeting. Superintendent of Schools Betty Feser is another possible guest.

Mr. DePalma brought up the issue of Fowler Field. Discussion was held on development of the field. Commuter parking was also discussed. Mr. Kapusta mentioned the Riverwalk that was contained in the Plan of Conservation and Development 10 years ago. All agreed it would be a nice amenity to add to downtown.

The next EDC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert B. Gregory