ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES May 26, 2010

Present: Commissioners: Cyrus Settineri, Chair; Susan Ashelford, John DePalma, Robert Kapusta, and Susan Patrick

Advisor:	Robert Gregory
Board of Aldermen Liaison:	Dan German
Assistant to the Mayor	Lisa DiLullo
Press:	Brian McCready, NH Register

- Absent: Commissioners Robert Stanton and Genevieve Salvatore Advisor Kathy Alagno
- I. Chairman Settineri called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.
- II. Public Comments None
- III. The minutes of the meeting of April 28, 2010 were approved as amended.

Mr. Kapusta made a motion, seconded by Mr. DePalma, that the EDC minutes follow the practice of the Board of Aldermen in recording and reporting the names of all members who are absent from a meeting.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

IV. Economic Development Report

Mr. Gregory reported that TD North Bank was negotiating to go into the Harrison's site, the Sonic deal at Krispy Kreme was not going forward and PC Richard had their grand opening. Comments from the Planning and Zoning board relating to the Harrison's site were presented.

- V. Correspondence None
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Neighborhood Preservation

Ms. Patrick reported that some work had been done at Beach Shore Village. Discussion was held regarding the Riggione property on Gulf Street. Ms. Patrick will check with Dr. McBride regarding the status of the blight complaint.

B. Business Visitation Project

Mr. DePalma reported that he and Mr. Gregory visited Q-Tran. They are very happy to be in Milford. Mr. Gregory reported that we are working with UI to develop the visitation program further.

C. Shop Local Campaign

Ms. Ashelford reported that the graphics are being put together and a kit prepared. A banner is being prepared for Mr. Settineri's building.

D. Land Use and Permitting Process

Mr. Settineri said that he has heard good and not so good things about the process. The hiring process for a full-time director was underway.

E. Business Survey

Mr. Settineri reported that a survey was being prepared and would be sent to the members for comments.

- F. Building Numbers No Report
- VII. Old Business None

VIII. New Business

Discussion was held regarding a marketing campaign for the City. Ideas include an inventory of commercial property, a broker's showcase, and targeting desirable businesses to Milford. Incentives for development were discussed. Considerable discussion centered on the Harrison's property and downtown development. Mr. Settineri suggested ShowMotion location as a potential location for the showcase.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Robert B. Gregory