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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY MARCH 10, 2015 APPROVED – April 14, 2015

Meredith Astles called the Economic Development Committee (EDC) meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, in the Main Room in the Town Hall.

Members Present: Meredith Astles, Mark Beaudoin, Byron Carr, LeeAnne Vance

Members Absent: Dick Horner (resigned), Jim O'Brien

Staff Present: No staff

The minutes of the February 10, 2015 meeting of the EDC were approved by consensus.

Committee prepared for Town Meeting:

- Meredith Astles – prepare and obtain materials for meeting (name tags, voting sheets, stickers, pencils, comments sheets, email sign up and copies of mission stamen.) & communicate needs to Town Administration (table.)
- LeeAnne Vance, Mark Beaudoin and Byron Carr will arrive at 8:15am to set up and will stay through the first break to interact with community.

Committee reviewed information sent from Cindy Harrington from NH Department of Economic Development and determined that committee should use these materials as a plan of action for upcoming meetings.

Committee discussed whether it should pursue starting a Chamber of Commerce for Hopkinton/Contoocook as a way to build the business community.

- Mark Beaudoin will contact the Concord Chamber of Commerce AND Hopkinton Rotary Club to get more information on potential collaboration and future events.
- Committee will explore the possibility of sponsoring Business Mixers.

Committee will look for potential candidates to replace Dick Horner.

Committee will investigate and then propose areas to be declared 'Revitalization' and submit to the Town Select Board to be voted on for state level declaration.

Others areas of potential development: future of closed school building, building improvements/standards zoning, improved signage off exit 6 into Village of Contoocook.

Next meeting on April 14th, the committee will:

- Assign tasks based on NH DofED document
- Explore potential Chamber of Commerce or Business Association.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Meredith declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
LeeAnne M. Vance, as acting Recording Secretary