

Town of Barnstable Growth Management Department Economic Development Commission

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BEDC Meeting Minutes February 26, 2013

Members present: Chris Kehoe, Alan Feltham, Roy Richardson, Jeff Craddock,

Hartley Johnson

Members absent: Jeannine Marshall

Staff: Mike Trovato, Economic Development Specialist

Meeting called to order at 8:00 am by Chair Chris Kehoe.

Minutes of October 23, 2012

A motion was made by Jeff Craddock, seconded by Hartley Johnson, to approve the minutes of October 23, 2012. So voted to approve.

Legislative Breakfast

Chris will touch base with Jo Anne Buntich on scheduling a breakfast meeting in April with the newly elected legislative officials.

<u>Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce</u> – Chris said that the Chief of Police is scheduled to provide an update on the crime task force at the April breakfast meeting. Chris will let members know the exact date.

<u>Subcommittees</u> – Attendance by a BEDC representative at commission/committee meetings that have may have an impact on economic development matters was discussed. Hartley also stated that he would like to see the BEDC have a liaison with other outside organizations that have as one of their objectives economic development growth of the area.

Roy Richardson stated that it would be a good idea to have the president of the Cape Cod Community College or the Curriculum Director attend a meeting. Chris will follow up with Jo Anne Buntich on this suggestion.

A motion was made by Alan Feltham, seconded by Hartley Johnson, to schedule a workshop on Tuesday, March 12, at 8:30 am at the Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce meeting room to work on defining and prioritizing a list of the committees/boards/commissions as they relate to the BEDC. Voted unanimously approve.

<u>Chair</u> Christopher Kehoe

Vice Chair Alan Feltham

<u>Members</u>
Jeffrey Craddock
Hartley Johnson
Jeannine Marshall
Royden Richardson

<u>Town Council Liaison</u> James Tinsley

Growth Management Department

Creative Economic Growth Resources - Mike Trovato stated that on March 6 a Creative Economic Growth Resources day has been scheduled with the state's Creative Economy Industry Director, Helena Fruscio. The session will include a presentation from three businesses from the creative economy sector that will discuss their challenges and barriers to growth with a panel of representatives from banking, marketing, chamber of commerce etc. The objective of these meetings is to provide advice as to how to make their business grow and ultimately to help other existing companies and encourage the development of new businesses in the creative economy.

Urban Land Institute - Mike provided an update on the Urban Land Institute downtown Hyannis parking study session held on January 29th. ULI and a panel of experts in the field of parking met with local businesses, Cape Cod Hospital, RTA, Steamship Authority, Chamber of Commerce, among others, to discuss long-term parking solutions in downtown Hyannis. The full report is due in about a month; the power point presentation provided at the end of the day session by ULI is on the town's website. http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/growthmanagement/Parking-in-Downtown-Hyannis-ULI%20TAP-Panel-Presentation-1-29-2013.pdf. Chris requested that each member be sent a copy of the full report when it is available.

Business Organization Update

Cape Cod Commission - Roy Richardson provided a brief update on the work being done on wastewater management by the Cape Cod Commission. Roy suggested that Patty Daley, Deputy Director of the Cape Cod Commission, be invited to a future BEDC meeting to provide an overview of the Regional Wastewater Management Plan.

Chris stated that three new BEDC members are on the Town Council agenda of February 28th for confirmation of appointment.

Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce – Chris stated that there are six new board members; Judy Crocker is Chair; Liza Cox is Vice Chair; Chris is the Treasurer. Chamber members are currently working on the 18th annual Father's Day Car show event and a golf tournament in collaboration with the JFK Foundation.

New Business

Hartley stated that it had been discussed to invite the Cape Cod Community College President and Patty Daley of the Cape Cod Commission to upcoming BEDC meetings. A discussion regarding preparation before inviting the Town Manager to a meeting was also discussed. Chris will reach out to the Town Manager for an informal meeting with him and Alan Feltham as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.

Public Comment

Hank Farnham of West Barnstable

- Provided an update regarding the cost of sewer connections for the residents of Stewart's Creek
- Read and discussed the administrative code for the BEDC rewritten in 2005 after updating the economic development section of the Local Comprehensive Plan.

- Suggested that BEDC meet with the council president or vice president or liaison
- Suggested doing an annual report to the council
- Suggested taking meetings out to the community; i.e., police department, water pollution control, hospital, airport, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Watson Administrative Assistant

EXHIBITS/HANDOUTS:

#1 Presentation at 1/30/13 meeting of Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce – *U.S. Economic* and *Investment Overview* by Michael Tyler, Chief Investment Officer of Eastern Bank

Next BEDC meeting scheduled for March 12, 2013

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