

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
ESSEX TOWN HALL
September 14, 2016 - 4:00PM**

The Essex Economic Development Commission was held on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 4:00pm. In attendance were Lon Seidman, Betsy D'Amico, George Sexton and Janet Peckinpugh.

Also in attendance were Norm Needleman, First Selectman, Susan Malan Economic Developer and Kelley Frazier, Secretary to the Commission. Absent: Ed Cook, David Winstead

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Seidman at 4:01pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion made by Betsy D'Amico and seconded by Lon Seidman the Essex Economic Development Committee unanimously **VOTED** to accept the minutes as written.

INTRODUCTION

Visitors:

Judy Heiser, Essex Board of Trade was present. Janet Atkinson, Housing Authority was also present.

Commissioners

Mr. Sousa noted that the Ivoryton Farmer's Market is doing well.

REPORT FROM TOWN HALL/CONSULTANT /ZONING MATTERS

Ms. Malan discussed her report which she previously distributed to commission members. She noted that another potential food service establishment is looking at a space in the Essex village.

Mr. Needleman was present and gave a brief update. He noted that the town is finishing the safe routes to school project. The bridges are being worked on and sidewalks in Centerbrook are being replaced. The renovations to Town Hall are nearing completion as well.

COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion Points for Joint Land Use Meeting

Mr. Seidman discussed a memo to be distributed to the land use commissions at the joint committee meeting. Regulations regarding Airbnb's in town were also discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made and seconded the Economic Development Commission unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 4:45p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier, Commission Clerk