Seymour Economic Development Commission Wednesday January 2, 2008 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Jon Szuch, Joseph Cass, Rosalie Averill, Mike Horbal, Ian Johnson Members Absent: Bert Volpacchio, Ron Balabon

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance Led by Chairman Szuch

Reminder of Disclosure Notices

First Selectman Comments (8:12 p.m.)

First Selectman stated that he felt the State DOT is holding up economic development along Rte 67. First Selectman also updated the board that the new Economic Development Director would begin on 1/14/08 and that he will attend monthly Economic Development Commission meetings with updates for the board. A secretary for the Economic Development Director/Floater has been hired.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes December, 2007.					
Motion: Joe Cass			Second: Rosalie Averill		
Vote:	3-Yes	0-No	2-Abstain (IJ,MH)	0-Disqualify	

2008-2009 Seymour EDC Budget

Line items were reviewed by all members and discussed.

Motion to approve 2008/2009 Budget at \$46,627.00.					
Motion: Rosalie Averill			Second: Ian Johnson		
Vote:	5-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify	

Economic Dev. Director:

No action taken as the Economic Development Director will not be starting in his position until January 14, 2008.

Rosalie asked that we have the new director check to see how many videos were sent out.

Motion to hold a workshop on 1/29/08 @ 7 p.m. to meet the new Economic Development Director.

Motion: Rosalie Averill			Second: M	Second: Mike Horbal		
Vote:	5-Yes	0-No	0-Abstain	0-Disqualify		

Public Comment:

Mike Horbal stated that he has been working with Al Yagovane on the Broad Street Park which is being done by volunteers. Mike stated his office received information on park benches, trash receptacles and that all are vandal proof items.

Update New Businesses and Projects in Seymour.

Mike stated he has been attending meetings with Craig Dean and met with the highway department in regards to CVS. At this point in time the project has been stopped due to safety concerns with traffic at the site.

Jon updated the board that the retail operation of the Post Office will be located near the Starbucks.

Correspondences

Jon showed newspaper clippings to members.

Motion to add election of officers to the agenda.					
Motion: Rosalie Averill			Second:	Ian Johnson	
Vote:	5-Yes	0-No	0-Disqua	lify	0-Abstain

Motion to nominate Jon Szuch as Chairman, Ron Balabon as Vice Chairman for the Economic Development Commission. Motion: Rosalie Averill Second: Mike Horbal Vote:

:	5-Yes	0-No	0-Disqualify	0-Abstain

Adjournment

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Motion to Adjourn @ 8:52 p.m. Motion: Joe Cass Vote: 5-Yes 0-No

Second: Rosalie Averill 0-Disqualify 0-Abstain