

**Town of Seymour
Economic Development Commission
Minutes
Tuesday, May 3, 2016 – 6:30 PM
Flaherty Room - Seymour Town Hall**

Members presents: Jon Szuch, Marietta Sabetta, Pat Lombardi, Alex Danko, Christine Ailman. Also present Fred Messoro, Economic Development Director.

ITEM #1 Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Jon Szuch.

ITEM #2 Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Jon Szuch.

ITEM #3 Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes – April 5, 2016

Mr. Lombardi moved to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sabetta and carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM #4 First Selectman Comment.

First Selectman Kurt Miller was not in attendance at the meeting.

ITEM #5 Public Comments

There was no one from the public present wishing to speak.

ITEM #6 Economic Development Director Update

Mr. Messoro presented his report for April 2016 (copy attached). He stated that there were two applications submitted on the incentive package for Basement Systems. He stated that as a realtor is represented the new owners of the Lake House restaurant. The new owners will be open all year long and hope to open by the end of the month. Mr. Messoro stated that the Welcome to Seymour sign at the rotary on 188/334 had to be relocated. The old sign will be put up until a new one can be obtained. He also spoke on the placement of the signs at Parking Lots 1, 2 and 3. He stated that at Parking Lot 2 it is difficult to determine the location of the sign but it will be on existing poles in the lot. The State wants the existing sign at Parking Lot 3 moved because it in the curb line.

ITEM #7 Parking signs for downtown parking lots update.

Mr. Messoro stated that there are funds that were encumbered for the signs. He stated that he has spoken with the First Selectman to have the funds transferred and he will be getting the cost of the signs.

The members discussed the blighted condition of the Strand Theater building and the condition of the wall at that location. Ms. Sabetta will draft a letter to be sent to the First

Selectman regarding the condition of the building and wall.

ITEM #8 EDC Chairman's Report

Mr. Szuch stated that he had nothing new to report.

ITEM #8 Old Business - None

ITEM #9 – New Business

Mr. Danka asked if a list of all vacant buildings in town could be listed on the webpage. He also asked if a list of businesses that are currently in Seymour and those that have left could be compiled. He felt that it would be helpful for someone interested in opening a business in Seymour if this information were on the webpage. Mr. Messore stated that a lot of commercial properties are listed with CERC. He also felt that if someone is looking for commercial space they are hiring a professional realtor and doing research on their own. Mr. Danka felt that there should be something on the website about opening a business in Seymour and what is required to do that.

ITEM #10 – Correspondence – None

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Danka, seconded by Ms. Sabetta and carried unanimously (5-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. by Chairman Jon Szuch.

Respectfully submitted,


Maryanne DeTullio, Recording Secretary

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EDC APRIL 2016 REPORT

4/4 Spoke with Jack Rinaldi, owner of 360 Roosevelt Dr. regarding the US Rowing and Yale Heavy Crew interest in past communications

4/4 Spoke with Kevin Mullen regarding him possibly opening another Seymour Lumber Yard

4/4 Received two Tax Incentive Applications for 33 Progress Ave and 50 Cogwheel Lane for Basement Systems

4/5 Spoke with Attorney Vincent Marino regarding renumbering properties in Tax Incentive for Basement Systems since they are combining two properties for each project and what steps are necessary

4/8 Sold 337 Roosevelt Dr., former Lakehouse Restaurant to CYN Realty for new all year round restaurant (see attached)

4/11 Contacted William Britnell, CTDOT regarding Rt.188/ Rt.334 rotary "Welcome to Seymour" signage

4/12 Spoke with Matt Vail regarding construction company and the Town of Seymour needs to provide a sign to be placed but contract will be closed in early May. If not ready by this time the TOS will have to apply for a new permit to install a sign

4/14 Contacted Tony DePrimo, new Public Works Director on location of sign that was removed prior to Rotary project commencing

4/18 Mark Massaro from Eversource contacted me asking for assistance on acquiring contact from Frontier Communication regarding a pole #3187 located across from Town Hole that needs replacing

4/19 Provided Mark Massaro from Eversource contact information of Frontier Communication Construction Manager for Seymour

4/19 Spoke with Mike Joyce from Milone & MacBroom regarding our DEEP application fee check of \$60 for Greenway Trail Phase 1



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4/19 Contacted Largest Employers list provided from Tony Caserta to confirm number of employees needed for the TOS Bonding application in restructuring our debt

4/19 Contact Craig Bordiere, CTDOT Rail Line Dept., regarding fence and wall damaged along parking lot (P2) to determine who owns property

4/19 Took Tour of Progress and Cogwheel with Assessor and First Selectman to determine best way to address renumbering of properties

4/25 Spoke to Ashley Mackiewicz from Microboard Processing regarding damaged curbing at entrance of property along Cogwheel to see if Public Works could repair

4/25 Provided Tony Caserta Employee Data information from earlier in month



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