

January 8, 2015

To: Mark B. Walter, First Selectman; East Haddam Economic Development Commission
From: Peter Simmons
Subj: Economic Development Progress Report #35 – December 2014

1. Business Development
 - a. New Business Opening
 - i. Moodus Veterinary Clinic
 - i. Opened early December
 - ii. Aided Clinic with CL&P coordination for a 50kVA Transformer
 - b. New England Propeller Services expansion:
 - i. Coordinating Certificate of Occupancy Inspection for NEPS
 - ii. Town P & Z demand for retro-active special exception (?)
 - iii. EDC involvement
 - c. Continued to assisted Morefit with Creamery Road Health Center Development
 - i. Building Department
 - d. Dutch Propane
 - i. Assisted with loan and grant application
 - ii. Town Tax Incentive Program Application on temporary hold pending potential program amendment
2. East Haddam Tax and Business Assistance Program
 - a. Recommendations Presented to Board of Selectman on January 7th
 - b. Verbal Report to be provided at January 8th EDC Meeting
3. East Haddam Business Association meeting with Selectman
 - a. Planned for January 21, 2014 prior to Board of Selectman's meeting
 - b. EDC should plan to be present
 - c. Town Officials (land use, health district, etc.) will be present for questions
 - d. Researched Business Development initiatives of area towns
4. Shagbark
 - a. Business out of compliance with Town land use approval related to Solar Panel installation and previous approval.
 - b. Assisted in organizing Town Fire Marshal Inspection to close fire code issues
 - c. Shagbark on the January 13th P & Z meeting agenda; will attend
5. I-Park: meeting to be arranged
6. Harris Property, Center for Community Agriculture
 - a. Assisted with preparation of amended project program
 - b. Drafted repurposing letter to State