Meeting Notes Loudon Economic Development Committee Meeting November 23, 2020

Attendees: EDC Members: Rodney Phillips, Vickie Phillips , Jeff Miller, and Stephen Caine. Central NH Regional Planning Commission: Mike Tardiff. Guest: George Hunton.

The November meeting of the Loudon Economic Development Committee began at 5:10 pm via Zoom.

The meeting opened with a review of the September 28 meeting notes. Upon a motion by Vickie Phillips and a second by Stephen Caine, the September 28 EDC meeting notes were unanimously approved.

Rodney Philips reported that the public hearing for proposed Planning Board Technical Review Committee (TRC) process would be held in December.

The EDC members then discussed scheduling a ERZ workshop in January with Bridgett Beckwith from the NH Division of Economic Development for businesses located within the zones. The workshop will be scheduled for January 11 @ 5pm via Zoom.

Mike Tardiff introduced George Hunton, noting that he had been invited to the meeting to discuss broadband needs. The 2018 Master Plan outlined some broadband coverage gaps throughout Loudon, notably along NH 106, NH 129, Currier Road and others. Of those responding to the master plan survey, 9% said that they did not have broadband service that was adequate for their needs. The EDC then discussed the need for improved broadband in Loudon, and the need to update the broadband needs survey to continue to highlight the need for improved service and be better ready for any future broadband service infrastructure funding assistance. Mike Tardiff will prepare a draft survey for review at the January EDC meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 11 beginning at 5:00pm. Agenda items will include the ERZ workshop and a review of the draft broadband needs survey.

Upon a motion by Vickie Phillips and a second by Stephen Caine, the meeting adjourned at 5:45pm by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Tardiff