

## Meeting Notes Loudon Economic Development Committee Meeting

April 22, 2019

**Attendees:** EDC Members: Tom Blanchette (Chair), Rodney Phillips (Vice-Chair), Stan Prescott, Stephen Caine, Jimmie Hinson, and Jeff Miller. Central NH Regional Planning Commission: Mike Tardiff. Others: Kathy Pitman, Loudon Communications Council.

The March meeting of the Loudon Economic Development Committee began at 5:00pm.

The meeting opened with a review of the March 25 meeting notes. Rodney Phillips noted that the third paragraph should note that a Ledger article will be prepared for June edition, not the May edition as shown in the minutes. Upon a motion by Rodney Phillips and a second by Jeff Miller, the motion to approve the March 25 EDC meeting notes with the change as outlined was approved unanimously.

The members of the EDC then met with Kathy Pitman to discuss the process to update the EDC page of the Loudon town website. The inclusion of the NH Division of Economic Development's selectnh.com link was discussed, as well as the appropriate formats for files that can be used. The EDC will reach out to Michael Bergeron at the NH Division of Economic Development to discuss search parameters that may be used in the link on the EDC site that will select Loudon properties.

Tom Blanchette then handed out ERZ sign examples. He noted that he planned to discuss the design and costs for printing and sign poles with the Selectmen to see if the signs can be installed in the near future.

Michael Tardiff then distributed a draft Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive (RSA 79E) application packet for review. CNHRPC staff were asked to develop an example application for review by the EDC.

The potential EPA *Recreation Economy for Rural Communities* application packet was reviewed. Michael Tardiff stated that he would review the program, and the EDC will discuss it further at the May meeting.

Stephen Caine noted that he had recently been interviewed on WKXL regarding the 79-E program.

The EDC discussed the scheduling of the ERZ workshop. The September regular meeting date (9/23) was determined to be the most appropriate. Michel Tardiff will confirm with Bridgett Beckwith.

Jimmie Hinson noted that it will be imperative that local communities reach out to Legislators regarding future ERZ program funding increases.

Upon a motion by Jeff Miller and a second by Stephen Caine, the motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously at 5:57pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Tardiff