Meeting Notes Loudon Economic Development Committee Meeting

September 23, 2019

Attendees: EDC Members: Tom Blanchette, Rodney Phillips, Stan Prescott, Stephen Caine, Jimmie Hinson, and Jeff Miller. Central NH Regional Planning Commission: Mike Tardiff.

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

The meeting opened with Tom Blanchette noting that he would like to step down as the EDC Chair as he is very busy with his duties as the Loudon Fire Chief. He would like to still continue as a regular member of the EDC. Following a discussion by the EDC members, Jimmie Hinson offered to serve as Chair, with Rodney Phillips continuing as Vice Chair. Following a motion by Stan Prescott and a second by Jeff Miller, the Loudon EDC approved Jimmie Hinson as EDC Chair by a unanimous vote.

The members of the EDC then discussed future coordination with the Loudon Energy Committee. Stephen Caine noted the recent retrofit of lights and municipal buildings related to energy efficiency.

The planned 10/28 Economic Revitalization Zone (ERZ) workshop was then discussed. Mike Tardiff will coordinate outreach and invitations to the individual businesses within the four ERZs. Bridgett Beckwith from the NH Division of Economic Development is scheduled to attend. It is important to hold the ERZ workshop soon as the deadline for applying for the program for 2019 is February 10, 2020.

Tom Blanchette noted that the ERZ signs are ready, and hopefully the signs can be installed soon.

The draft 79-E application packet was discussed. Mike Tardiff will forward a copy to Jimmie Hinson for review prior to a future EDC meeting.

The EDC then quickly discussed potential discussions with the Planning Board related to the possible formation of a Technical Review Committee (TRC). The topic will be revisited in future EDC meetings.

Finally, the need to reach out to property owners/agents of commercial parcels that are for sale for possible inclusion on the selectnh.com website was discussed.

Upon a motion by Jeff Miller and a second by Rodney Phillips, the motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously at 5:55pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Tardiff