Meeting Notes Loudon Economic Development Committee Meeting

September 28, 2020

Attendees: EDC Members: Jimmie Hinson, Rodney Phillips, Vickie Phillips, and Stephen Caine. Central NH Regional Planning Commission: Mike Tardiff.

The September meeting of the Loudon Economic Development Committee began at 5:05pm via Zoom.

The meeting opened with a review of the August 24 meeting notes. Upon a motion by Jimmie Hinson and a second by Stephen Caine, the August 24 EDC meeting notes were unanimously approved.

Rodney Philips reported that he had met with the Board of Selectmen the previous Tuesday to discuss the proposed Planning Board Technical Review Committee (TRC) process. He noted that several Department Heads were in attendance and supportive of the proposal. The next step will be to bring the TRC proposal back to the Planning Board in October in order to schedule a public hearing for the November meeting. It is hoped that the TRC process will then be in place for January. He also noted that the Planning Board will be considering changes to Architectural Standards as well as a change in the submittal requirements that state that all follow up information submitted by an applicant must be submitted at least 7 days before a meeting to be considered by the Planning Board at that meeting.

Jimmie Hinson then reviewed the recent email from Tom Blanchette that noted that the ERZ signs must be located on local roads and not along NH 106. The poles and sign brackets have been acquired, and now the specific locations must be identified. The EDC members discussed the need to install the signs this fall, and then continue to get the word out about the ERZs. Jimmie Hinson will coordinate with Tom Blanchette to identify the proposed locations for all ERZ signs in the next few weeks.

Jimmie Hinson then noted that he was seeking support from the EDC members to institute a process that any EDC spending requests must be approved by the EDC before being approved. The EDC members all concurred with his proposal.

Jimmie Hinson then reported on the upcoming Resiliency Academy for Small Businesses and Communities that will be presented by the UNH Extension and the NH Small Business Development Center on October 27. All EDC members are invited to attend.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 26 beginning at 5:00pm.

Upon a motion by Stephen Caine and a second by Vickie Phillips, the meeting adjourned at 5:40pm by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Tardiff