

**Town of Seymour
Economic Development Commission**

**Minutes
Tuesday July 6, 2010 – 7:00 PM
Norma Drummer Room – Seymour Town Hall**

Members Present: Jon Szuch, Michael H. Horbal, Joe Cass, Marietta Sabetta, Rosalie Averill, Ron Balabon.

Members Absent: Ted Holly.

Others: First Selectman Paul Roy.

ITEM #1 Call Meeting in Order.

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Jon Szuch.

ITEM #2 Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Jon Szuch.

ITEM #3 First Selectman Comment.

First Selectman gives the following updates:

- The Oxford Academy is almost ready to open the doors to the beauty shop at their new location and the school will follow soon. The owners are contemplating a walkway to the adjacent plaza in the future as well to encourage and facilitate the students to populate the restaurants below.
- The truck school is moving forward with the project and is in the process of finalizing the financing and selling the property on Route 34 but is encountering challenges due to the lack of sewer. The First Selectman is currently in a conversation with Mayor Staffieri of Derby and with the WPCA John Fanotto to look at the possibilities extending the sewer on the stretch of road currently not being serviced.
- Rogol's was sold and is now up for rent.
- The train bridge will get repaired this summer and services will be suspended for about 21 days.
- The Town has applies for about 17 Matthie's grants and is not working on applying for the second round of STEAP grants as well. Lights and a flag pole to enhance the memorials at French park and better signage coming off the highway directing traffic to the Industrial Park are just a few of the projects that the grants would pay for.
- CVS is aggressively pushing for a September opening.

ITEM #4 Public Comment.

No public Comment.

ITEM #5 Approval of Minutes from June 1, 2010.

Change ITEM #7 to read as follows: *"Mr. Sullivano will be filming the upcoming June 'First Saturday' and the Seymour Founders Day. Commissioner Michael H. Horbal suggested Mr. Sullivano interview the new owner of the former New Haven Copper building and add his comments to the video."*

Change ITEM #8 to read as follows: *"Caspari donated 6,000 napkins for the Seymour Founders Day event with the covered bridge logo printed on them."*

Motion to approve minutes as amended.

Motion: Rosalie Averill

Second: Ron Balabon

Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (T. Holly)
Motion carries.

ITEM #6 Update of the EDC Video: Joe Sullivan.

Mr. Sullivan just completed an interview with the Chairman to be included in the update to the video. Over the past few weeks many of the town events were filmed and several interviews with business owners were conducted as well.

ITEM #7 Discuss allocation of funds for Broad Street Project.

Mr. Yagovane is out of town and unable to provide a detailed update of the project. Mr. Horbal informs the commission the grant submitted to the Matthie's Foundation was missing information and is in the processed of being completed fully.

Motion to table item until the August meeting.

Motion: Ron Balabon Second: Rosalie Averill

Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Abstain-1 (Horbal) Absent-1 (Holly)
Motion carries.

ITEM #8 Look at plans of Conservation, Street Scape project from Migani.

Motion to table item until the August meeting.

Motion: Ron Balabon Second: Rosalie Averill

Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Abstain-0 Abstent-1 (T. Holly)
Motion carries.

ITEM #9 ED Director Report.

No other updates.

ITEM # 10 Chairman Report.

Chairman will be meeting with Blakeman's office in the upcoming weeks to discuss the second building on the new Walgreens site and possible location for a Chase Bank.

ITEM #11 Old Business.

Letter to be sent out to the WPCA requesting review of the sewer status on Route 34.

ITEM #12 New Business.

No new business.

ITEM #13 Correspondence.

No other correspondence.

ITEM #14 Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:18pm

Motion: Ron Balabon Second: Rosalie Averill

Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Abstain-0 Absent-1 (Holly)
Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nancy Onofrio
Recording Secretary