

MINUTES

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MADDEN ROOM
SOUTH WINDSOR TOWN HALL**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2015
TIME: 7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Chairperson Louise Neary, Vice Chairperson Sue Burnham, Linda Jeski, Alternate Paul Burnham, James Murray, William Jodice, Wayne Kilburn, Edwina Futtner, Alternate John Mitchell, Dwight Johnson

ABSENT: Joseph Kennedy and Alternate Mohammed Quaraishi.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairperson Neary called the meeting to order at 7:30pm
- 2. Roll Call:** The above-mentioned members were introduced.
- 3. Public Participation:** None.
- 4. Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes from Regular Meeting on 5/27/2015: A *motion* was made by Commissioner Jeski and *seconded* by Commissioner Jodice to approve the minutes of May 27, 2105 with the following corrections:
p.2 Old Business: `...interested in expanding *and* may...
p.2 Old Business: `...the abatement will *be* shortened.'
p.3 Committee Report: `...all the time *and* suggests...'
p.3 Communications and Remarks: `...approval from P&Z for a *second* building.'
Minutes were unanimously approved. Motion passed.

- 5. Old Business:** Chairperson Neary had hoped to have Town Manager Galligan here but he is currently out on medical leave.

6. Committee Report:

Report from Louise Neary and Sue Burnham-Discover South Windsor: There have not been any meetings but Commissioner S. Burnham will touch base with Peter DeMaillie over the summer to find out the status of Discover South Windsor.

7. Communications and Remarks:

Report from Louise Neary, Chairperson: Chairperson Neary did not have anything new to report. Commissioner S. Burnham commented that she appreciates that

the Chamber is announcing all events via email in addition to the calendar on their website. There are several ribbon cuttings coming up and the Chamber golf tournament is scheduled for August 6, 2015.

- 8. New Business:** Commissioner S. Burnham shared an article from the July 15, 2015 edition of the Journal Inquirer which included a photo of Commissioner Mitchell congratulating retiring Judge Rittenband. The retirement event was held at Mill on the River. Judge Rittenband was a well-respected town attorney. Chairperson Neary intends to have Town Manager Galligan at the September meeting to discuss the intent of the EDC. Commissioner Futtner commented that South Windsor is only town within a large radius without apartments. Commissioner Mitchell stated that he is disappointed in the lack of development at Connecticut Studios. Commissioner Johnson shared pamphlet from a new South Windsor business- Blue Wave. They are a commercial printing company which specializes in enlarging pictures and printing posters. The business moved from Vernon. Commissioner Kilburn asked if anyone knows the status of All-Phase. Commissioner Jodice stated that they are moving to Enfield. Commissioner Mitchell commented that Carla's Pasta is struggling with their addition to the building. They currently employ over 200 people and are located off of Governor's Highway on Talbot Lane. Commissioner Mitchell is very impressed with their use of technology in making pasta and the growth they have experienced in starting as a small business. Chairperson Neary is retiring from work and commissioners extended their congratulations to her.

- 9. General Discussion:** None.

- 10. Adjournment:** A *motion* was made by Commissioner Futtner and *seconded* by Commissioner Jodice to adjourn at 8:07p.m. and was *unanimously approved. Motion passed.*

**Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Potter
Clerk**

Approved: September 23, 2015