

**Beacon Falls Economic Development Commission
10 Maple Avenue
Beacon Falls, CT 06403**



**BEACON FALLS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Monthly Meeting
July 27, 2020
MINUTES
(Subject to Revision)**

1. Call to Order /Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Chair Jack Betkoski called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Members Present: Jack Betkoski (JB), Dennis Phipps (DEP), David Pokras (DAP), Edward Mulvihill (EM)

Members Absent: Brian DeGeorge (BD), Edward Korzon (EK), Jeremy Rodorigo (JR)

Others Present: 3 members of the public

2. Read and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings

JB made motion to approve the minute from the June 22, 2020 meeting. EK/DAP, all ayes

3. Comments from the Public

None

4. Correspondence

None

5. Old Business

- Discussion re: downtown image with parked cars & trucks – see below under TPA update
- Berco Tank update – Currently, under construction.
- Kolga update – no updated discussed
- TPA streetscape project update – JB I spoke with Alex from TPA as a follow up and he advised me to talk to Mr. Nielsen at the COG who can help facilitate a proposal to obtain funds through the state infrastructure programs which will help take us to Phase 2.
- Dunkin highway signage update – JB Dunkin has been open and doing well. Selectman Krenesky noted that there are certain points, especially in the morning when cars are out of the parking lot. They seem to be doing very well. JB – First Selectman Smith & I did a welcome to Beacon Falls photo about two weeks ago. DOT will only allow signs in certain areas. At this point, people have the apps on their phones to locate Dunkin. They have done a beautiful job.

6. New Business

None

7. Grant News /Update/EDC Coordinator Update

- JB – we met with Ron Pugliese, who is the Naugatuck Valley Economic Development President about possibly utilizing him for our EDC role. Our main question is where loyalty would be. Ron

was going to speak with the Mayor about a possible MOU. I will follow up with him and if it does not work, then we would utilize our HR firm for assistance with filling the vacancy. EK – I saw something in the paper about another agency looking for a Development Director. JB – I know that we now have a person who is working in Planning. He is working for the P&Z and Land Use Boards through the NVCOG. Selectman Krenesky stated that our new Town Planner is Keith Rosenfelt and he is in the office every Tuesday. He is cleaning up the Assembly Room and organizing the maps, etc.

8. Payment of Bills

none

9. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:20 PM. DEP/DAP, all ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry McAndrew
Clerk, EDC