



**Town of Beacon Falls
Economic Development Commission
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 28, 2022
10 Maple Avenue
Beacon Falls, CT 06403
C/O Town Clerk
(Subject to Revision)**

Members Present: J. Betkoski (**JB**), D. Pokras (**DAP**), E. Mulvihill (**EM**), E. Korzon, (**EK**), Dennis Phipps (**DP**), R. Desrochers (**RD**)

Members Absent: None

Others Present: 1 member of the public

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

JB called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the assembled in the pledge of allegiance.

JB welcomed newest member **RD**.

2. Read and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings:

Motion made to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2022, meeting by **EM/DP**

Vote:

5 Ayes. 1 Abstention.

3. Comments from the Public: None

4. Correspondence: None

5. Old Business:

a. **Beacon Falls Market Space:** There is no update

b. **Main Street:** Beacon falls pizza palace seems to be doing well. Discussion opened about the state of Main St. and potential changes that could benefit the town. **JB** to reach out to Decarlo & Doll. Clerk to extend invitation to Town Planner to attend the next meeting. **EM** - what would be the goal and how do we propose it? **JB** – we would need to talk to BOS and inquire where to go from there and where we currently stand with the original plan that was drawn out.

J. Delenick – Bethany Rd. – Do you know about the CT Main St? They would provide a schematic and tutorials for developing Main Streets.

December meeting to be cancelled.

Motion to invite the three business owners on Main Street, The BOS, town planner, and Decarlo & Doll to the January meeting made by **DP**, seconded by **EK**. All ayes.

DP - a previous member made a proposal to get a laser display to light up the bridge seasonally. **DP** - is it possible to have an electronic board installed behind the fence? It could digitally project town wide information. **EM** – can investigate it. **EK** – we would need to submit a proposal to the BOS.

JB noted that Dunkin and Antonios are doing very well.



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Clerk to email town Land Use Coordinator/Deputy ZEO regarding the state of nap container on Pinesbridge. The board is concerned that their appearance has become a zoning issue.

- c. **Naugatuck Valley Regional Development Corp. – Other Updates:** No Updates
 - d. **EDC Goals for 2022-2023:** Board to inquire about previous plans built with Decarlo & Doll in Q1 and see what can be done to act on them.
6. **New Business:**
- a. **2023 Meeting Schedule:** Motion to accept the 2023 EDC meeting schedule as presented made by **EM** seconded by **DP**. All ayes.
 - b. **Nomination/Appointment of Vice Chair:** Motion to appoint **EM** as vice chair made by **EK** seconded by **DAP**. All ayes.
7. **Grant News /Update/EDC Coordinator Update:**
JB will investigate the status of the grants.
8. **Payment of Bills:**
None
9. **Adjournment**
Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:46 PM. **DAP/EM**, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren A. Fennell
Clerk, EDC