

**Minutes**  
**Economic Planning and Development Committee**  
**Tuesday, April 14, 2013**  
**8:00 AM Pomfret Senior Center/Grange**

**Present:** N. Gardner, W. Hinchman, J. Stoddard, M. Collins, R. Viani  
Selectmen M. Nicholson

Guests: Barry Jessurun- Vanilla Bean Café, Angela Spring- Feather Hill B&B,  
Betty Hale- CT Commission on Tourism, and Mike Blackmer- WINY

**Call to Order:** 8:05 AM, followed by introductions

**Approval of Minutes:** The April Minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve them was made by W. Hinchman and seconded by J. Stoddard. Approved.

**Citizens Statements and Petitions:** None

**Additions to the Agenda:** None

**Old Business:**

- 1) Murdock Property- RFP Boring Proposal: CME is awaiting good weather to begin the testing at the site. The Proprietors were brought up to speed on the water testing.
- 2) Steakum's Plant- The EPDC brought the members of the Pomfret Proprietors up to date on the property.
- 3) Pomfret Business Report- The committee discussed the proposed "Pomfret Business Directory" and debated if it should be an on-line only or on-line and printed format. The Pomfret Proprietors in attendance mentioned their website visitpomfret.com which has approx. 60 businesses listed. A draft of the business directory request was made available and will be in the Pomfret Times and placed on the WINY Facebook Page.  
First Selectman Nicholson mentioned that the town website will be updated and that Killingly has recently published a Business Directory.

- 4) New Business Development- The committee then discussed the Simpson property with the Pomfret Proprietors.
- 5) Tourism Council Update- Funding is in question until the State Budget is passed. A number of options are on the table ranging from abolishing the regional tourism councils to possibly splitting the “Quiet Corner” from Mystic Country.
- 6) Build Out- No report.

**New Business:**

- 1) Business Signage- The committee then had an open forum with those in attendance and signs were discussed. The NE Chamber of Commerce is willing to give the town 2 Welcome to Pomfret signs. Members discussed possible zoning issues with the size of the signs. Members were asked to look at possible locations for placement prior to the June meeting.
- 2) Gas Line/ Sewer Project- First Selectman Nicholson discussed the status of the Sewer Line project which will serve Recotry School, Pomfret School, PCS, and Loos & Co.

**Other:** None

**Citizens Statements and Petitions:** None

**Adjournment:** 8:55AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicholas Gardner  
Chairman