

**Minutes**  
**Economic Planning and Development Committee**  
**Tuesday, December 13, 2016**  
**8:00 AM Pomfret Senior Center**

**Present:** N. Gardner, C. Tracy, J. Folsom, J. Stoddard, W. Hinchman

**Guests:** First Selectman Craig Baldwin, Resident Peter Mann

**Call to Order:** 8:00 AM.

**Approval of Minutes:** The October Regular Meeting minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by J. Folsom and seconded by C. Tracy. Approved. The October Special Meeting minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by J. Folsom and seconded by C. Tracy. Approved.

**Citizens Statements and Petitions:** None

**Additions to the Agenda:** The Board of Education is hosting the headmaster of Woodstock Academy to discuss tuition changes and the pending purchase of the Hyde School campus in Woodstock.

**Old Business:**

- 1) Regional Issues- N. Gardner and C. Baldwin attended a NECCOG meeting last week, which featured speakers from the State Office of Policy and Management regarding the upcoming five-year renewal to the State POCD. More to come in early 2017.
  - a. C. Tracy discussed the upcoming Hartford Business Expo, to be held June 8, 2017 and mentioned that it might be worth attending.
  - b. C. Baldwin reported on the ongoing Airline Trail Improvements and the possible construction of two bridges and three culverts and provided a brief update on the Sewer Project.

- 2) Murdock Property- N. Gardner reported that he and C. Baldwin met with CERC, the Connecticut Economic Research Center, regarding a proposal for a market study of the Murdock Property. The proposal letter detailed a number of items, but was not acted upon. The members discussed the possibility of UConn's involvement in research and/or having an internship to focus on the property. N. Gardner will contact UConn regarding the possible assignment.

**New Business:**

- 1) Election of Officers for 2017- C. Tracy made a motion seconded by J. Stoddard that N. Gardner be elected Chairman. Approved. J. Folsom made a motion seconded by C. Tracy that M. Collins be elected Vice-Chairman. Approved. Some discussion was had regarding a Secretary, which was not moved upon.
- 2) Annual Report for 2016- N. Gardner shared a draft of the EPDC Annual Report for 2016 to the town.

**Citizens Statements and Petitions:** None

**Adjournment:** 9:10 AM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nicholas Gardner  
Chairman