

Minutes
Economic Planning and Development Committee
Tuesday, June 12, 2018
8:00 AM Pomfret Senior Center

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

Guests: First Selectman M. Nicholson

Call to Order: 8:03 AM.

Approval of Minutes: The May meeting minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by W. Hinchman and seconded by C. Tracy. Approved, with J. Folsom abstaining.

Citizens Statements and Petitions: None

Additions to the Agenda: Real Estate Update

Old Business:

- 1) Murdock Property/Selectman's Feedback of RFP for Forestry- The proposed RFP for forestry work is currently being review by Town Attorney Ed Higgins. Additionally, M. Nicholson discussed reopening the RFP for the Solar Array.
- 2) QV Tech Park- No recent activity.
- 3) NECCOG- John Filchak from NECCOG will plan a meeting with us to discuss the branding study.
- 4) Real Estate- Some discussion was had regarding the former Steakumm's property on Searles Road and potential uses for it.

New Business:

- 1) Town Branding- The members spoke about why people might choose Pomfret vs other towns. The idea of a condominium development to retain retirees and attract new retired residents was discussed. Challenges include potential zoning changes and lack of housing stock for active retirees. Could the town look at leveling off the budget at \$10-\$12MM? A prosperous town helps everyone.

Citizens Statements and Petitions: None

Adjournment: 9:09 AM

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicholas Gardner
Chairman