

The Town of Brooklyn Economic Development Commission

Chairperson, Lyn LaCharite

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Meeting the First Tuesday of every month @ 7pm at the
Clifford B Green Memorial Center

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, March 5, 2013 7:00 PM

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MINUTES

Lyn LaCharite, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

1.) Roll Call - Members Present: Marybeth Leonard, Chris Landis, Lyn LaCharite, Robert Simons, Andrew Pinto and Ronald Ventura

2.) Seating of Alternates - None

3.) Approval Of Minutes: Regular Meeting, Tuesday February 5, 2013 - Robert Simons made a motion to approve the February 5, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion second by Marybeth Leonard. Motion carried unanimously.

4.) Public Commentary - None.

5.) Correspondence - Lyn LaCharite reviewed a letter dated February 15, 2012 sent by Commission Member Andrew Pinto to Gus Sarno, architect for CHFA and also copied to Commissioner Smith at the State House, regarding Quebec Square. Mr. Pinto read his letter into the record. The purpose of this letter is to get a status of this property.

Mr. Pinto further pointed out that there is an office on site, however he could not get any information regarding what their purpose at this office is.

He has not heard back as of the time of this meeting. He will report back at next month's meeting.

6.) Unfinished Business

a.) Business Association Update - Marybeth Leonard held the meeting at her business/home. Approximately 25 business owners attended.

Lyn LaCharite has been contacted by Jessica at Savings Institute and Doug Brown at Cornerstone and would like to join the Association.

A new item has been discussed regarding referral of a member and receive \$5 off your membership fee for next year. Also, they have changed their Bylaws to allow out of town businesses to join as associate members.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2013 at Marybeth Leonard's.

b.) Family Fun Day Update - The first meeting was held Monday, February 25, 2013. A decision has been made not to add any new events or to go forward with the 5K race. They currently have funds from : EDC \$500, Selectmen \$2,000; and approximately \$1,000 left over from businesses that donated last year.

They will do more business recognition this year for the major donors, such as T-Shirts for the fun race with their names on them.

Andrew Pinto has contacted businesses for donations which was well received: Wal-Mart, McDonalds, People's Bank, Dunkin Donuts and an anonymous donor.

Lyn LaCharite has sent to the Lieutenant Governor inviting her to march in the parade..

Their next meeting is March 26, 2013.

c.) EDC 2013 Projects - Plaques for business - Tom Rukstella will be able to provide these to businesses as they ask for them as long as the business is not along Route 6.

Planters for the signs on Route 6 - Andrew Pinto reviewed a design that he has come up with to deal with the watering issue. He will complete the design and get it to Marybeth Leonard to review.

7.) New or Other Business

Marybeth Leonard presented two handouts regarding a Wag-A-Thon that the Woman's Board of Day Kimball Hospital is sponsoring on June 15, 2013 and The Brooklyn Historical Society in Partnership with the Last Green Valley will host a History of Friendship Valley on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 7:00pm at Trinity Parish Hall

8.) Adjournment - Motion by Robert Simons to adjourn at 7:36 pm. Motion second by Marybeth Leonard. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen M. Desrosier