

Town of Deep River Economic Development Commission

August 19 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Call to order: Lewis called the meeting to order @ 7 P.M.

Members in attendance: Bill Dahl, Pete Lewis, Christine Nucci, Mark Reyer. Lewis is acting as Secretary.

Acceptance of Minutes: Upon *Motion* by Lewis, seconded by Reyer then carried unanimously, the Minutes from the June 2019 meeting were accepted as presented. The July 2019 meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

Old Business:

- Discussion of transient moorings. Nucci inquiring if there is sufficient space for additional moorings. Reyer, who is the Harbormaster, stated there is space. Nucci inquired how mariners are made aware of the transient moorings. Lewis replied that he believed Mackenzie contacted navigation company Garmin International™ to insert the location on their marine navigation chart-plotter devices. Lewis will double-check when he meets with Mackenzie.
- Discussion of signage. Lewis to discuss status with McDonald.
- Mt. St. Johns: Lewis stated he spoke with the GM of the Castle Hill Inn in Newport, informing him of the sale of Mt St Johns property. He informed Lewis that the Hotel is part of a global fellowship (Relais & Chateaux) of individually owned hotels and restaurants. Lewis gave the information to the GM who stated he would forward it to the association headquarters.

New Business:

- Dahl gave a brief overview of "Trolley Style" buses that he located while researching the topic on-line. Nucci added that the bus should be a cooperative between the surrounding towns. Dahl to send his research to McDonald. Lewis stated McDonald serves on the 9 Town Transit board which could be of some assistance.
- Nucci stating that a town wide survey would aid EDC in determining what townspeople would like to see moving forward. Nucci suggested that "Survey Monkey®" would be a great vehicle to enable analysis and filtering of data. Nucci added that this service would reach people that matter the most, sending out accurate information via email, chat, web and various social media platforms. Lewis added that Dahl has been working on revisions to the EDC webpage. Lewis suggested a postcard mailed to each resident steering them towards the website.
- Dahl and Lewis agreed that the web page design needs to be completed asap, the commission agreed. Lewis to contact BOF to determine what level of funding was budgeted for EDC this year.

Adjournment:

Upon *Motion* by Lewis, seconded by Reyer and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M. The next scheduled meeting will be held on September 16, 2019 @ 7P.M. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Lewis
Secretary