TOWN OF DEEP RIVER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MAY 28, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Special meeting held: via Zoom conference

Call to order: Lewis called the meeting to order at 7pm

Members in attendance: Bill Dahl, Nick Kornacki, Peter Lewis, Ted Mackenzie, Angus McDonald, Christine Nucci, Mark Reyher. Susan Sbrolla. Sbrolla is acting as Secretary.

Order of Business: Select volunteer(s) to assist in the completion of a Long-Range Recovery Team Project (LRRT)

• First Selectman McDonald updated the Commission on the State's recommendation to establish a local, long term recovery committee with a mission of providing a conduit to State and Federal government for businesses and citizens to express their needs both financially and socially. Angus reported the committee will meet once per week in the beginning and will include members of Board of Selectman, Planning and Zoning, Economic Development, Parks and Recreation, Fire Marshall, Merchants Association and one or two citizens. Angus reported the immediate need is to help businesses and citizens get through this Covid-19 crisis. The Commission discussed the idea of a town wide survey once the LRRT committee is formed.

Kornacki, Lewis, Nucci and Sbrolla each volunteered to join the LRRT committee.

• Nucci provided an update on re-open plans and strategies from other municipalities.

Other business:

- After discussion, it was agreed it was within the EDC budget to purchase several Adirondack chairs to be placed around town to provide support for restaurants and merchants by providing additional seating, while practicing social distance guidelines. Lewis agreed to price and purchase enough chairs within the agreed upon budget.
- Website: It was agreed to add the State of Connecticut Economic Website as a link on the Deep River town website.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Lewis, seconded by Sbrolla and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm. The next Special Meeting will be held on June 8, 2020 at 5:30 PM at the Gazebo at Deep River Landing. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on June 15, 2020 at 7 pm at Deep River Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Sbrolla Acting Secretary