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Economic Development Commission Meeting
Town Hall Council Chambers
Draft Minutes
Wednesday, March 17, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 AM by Chairman Cohen

Present were Commissioners Olsen, Eisenberg, Ackert, Shaheen, Sendrak, and Kennedy.

Public Forum:
Russ Broderick of Welles Village requested addressing the Commission in addition to the forty (40) minutes he was allowed to present at the last meeting.. Chairman Cohen informed Mr. Broderick that the Spring Hill Suites had been approved by the PZC. Mr Broderick stated that he knew that but that he had other interest in the Golfland/Colony property to do a banquet hall. Chairman Cohen asked how long his presentation would take. Mr. Broderick responded 15 minutes. Chairman Cohen responded that he could only allow him five minutes. Chairman Cohen indicated that if this was not enough time, Mr. Broderick could feel free to come back next month. Mr. Broderick became quite incensed and left the meeting.

Minutes
Minutes for the 2/17/2010 meeting were approved unanimously. Moved by Eisenberg, second by Shaheen.

Administrative Items
None.

Updates
Updates were discussed among the members on current projects including
Roosevelt Mills, groundbreaking
Equestrian Center, planning stage
Ticket Network, denial
Spring Hill Suites, approval by PZC
Energy Improvement District, approval by Town Council
Citizen's Block, expressions of interest
Talcottville School Lease
Santini zone change, application
Homes sales, tax credit
Inclusion of EDC priorities in MPOD, in progress

New Business

Motion to support Crossroads Community Church PZC application with concern for parking. Eisenberg/Sendrak, unanimous. Motion passed.

Motion to contact federal delegation on need to continue tax credit program for homebuyers. Kennedy/Shaheen. Shaheen, Sendrak, Kennedy aye.Ackert, Olson, Eisenberg nay. Chairman Cohen vote to break the tie aye. Motion passed.

The Commission asked staff to research the current proposals in the legislature relative to regional/local sales taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Kleinhans
Staff Liaison