

Harwinton Economic Development Commission
December 5, 2012 Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting Called to Order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners present: Chair Kerrie Ouellette, Vice Chair Tom Schoenenmann, Frank Hickey and Franci Tartaglino.

2. On a motion made by Mr. Hickey and seconded by Ms. Tartaglino, the commission unanimously voted to approved adoption of the agenda

3. On a motion made by Ms. Tartaglino and seconded by Mr. Hickey, the commission unanimously voted to approve Minutes of the commission's 10/3/12 Special Meeting

4. Commissioners reviewed the status of gathering business data a solicitation included with tax bills sent in June. There are currently 77 businesses on the list. Mr. Schoenenmann has listed businesses according to categories and names and added a disclaimer to help prevent any legal action against the commission's goal of making the list public and promoting local businesses.

Commissioner John DiCarlo arrived at 6:34 p.m.

5. Commissioners discussed the final layout of Business Directory. Commissioners agreed to list non-profit organizations separately. Mr. DiCarlo offered to call to businesses listed with addresses in neighboring towns to find whether the company operations are based in Harwinton.

On a motion made by Ms. Ouelette and seconded by Mr. Hickey, the commission unanimously voted to individually make any revisions and send them to Mr. Schoenenmann by Friday, December 14.

6. On a motion made by Mr. Schoenenmann and seconded by Mr. Hickey, the commission unanimously voted to approve its 2013 Meeting Schedule as presented to Town Clerk, scheduling meetings for the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

7. The Commission reviewed goals for 2013. Ms. Ouelette noted that town commissioners were present at the most recent Board of Selectmen meeting, when each chair shared goals. She noted that the Economic Development Commission would work with the Planning and Zoning Commission in the proposed rezoning of the Route 4/118 corridor to ensure the business community's needs are represented in this process. Commissioners noted their \$100 annual budget constrains their ability to directly assist businesses.

Also, at their January meeting, commissioners with terms that will soon expire will be asked whether they will seek re-appointment.

8. There was no other business

9. There were no members of the public present for public participation

10. On a motion made by Ms. Ouelette and seconded by Mr. DiCarlo, the commission unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:20.

Respectfully submitted by John DiCarlo, secretary.

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