

Tamworth Economic Development Commission

Agenda

July 11, 2023 6 PM

The Tamworth Economic Development Commission should strive to attract, grow, and retain businesses in Tamworth. The Commission is charged with the following responsibilities (Revised & Adopted 2/2021):

1. Supporting new and existing businesses:

- Promoting a supportive climate and required resources attractive to business.*
- Coordinating and hosting town economic development events with local businesses, professionals, and organizations.*
- Supporting the local employment base*

2. Helping to enable business growth:

- Making realistic recommendations to the town that enable the well-being and growth of its business base.*
- Identifying and partnering on other initiatives supportive of strong core business capabilities.*

3. Coordinating regionally to support the town's business base:

- Coordinating town economic development activities with surrounding towns*
- Working with regional and state resources, programs and initiatives to support the town's business base.*

4. Educating and enhancing opportunity awareness for local businesses leaders:

- Identifying local, state, or federal initiatives and/or programs available to enable local business success.*
- Hosting economic development events to help publicize and educate business leaders on opportunities that can support the health and wellbeing of the town's business base.*

Commissioners and others present:

Matt Griffin, Pat Farley, Wyatt Berrier, Greg Hufford, Rich Collins

6:00....Call to Order..... Name alternates to replace anyone absent

Called to order at 6:14 pm

Alternate to replace: Greg to fill in for Eleanor

6:05....Public comment

6:06... Motion to Approve Draft Minutes of June meeting

Motion: Wyatt

Second: Matt

All in favor to approve

6:10....Financial Update: no changes
(Budget approved at Town meeting)

No changes. Wyatt with talk to Laura Pike about financial history and get a debrief on past CEDC finances and practices.

6:15....Web update....Rich...updates?

No changes. Still up and running.

6:20...Old Business....

-Topics and committees:

1.Next Forum: Methods to pass property to children (Legacies?
(What happens to your property when you die?)

-Date: **Thought is to delay the proposed mid-august date. We are thinking between Halloween and Thanksgiving.**

-Location, (if Cook Library on Zoom, coordinate with Mary Cronin),

-Invite panelists and Facilitator

-Marketing, \$?

2. Fall Forum: Best business form for entrepreneurs and non profits (in Fall?)

~~-separate Forums for these.... They both have a lot of content.~~

Thinking of coordinating efforts and doing both topics on the same day.

Have one during a set time and another during a later time.

-Panelists: Laura and Harry Pike, a lawyer, representative to Chocorua Lake Association, Michelle Cleveland?

-Zoom

2..Other topics for Forums...homeless situation?

3 .Community Garden (Alonzo Nickerson Gardens) ... update....Matt

The garden currently has 6 gardners working at the garden. They haven't had to water much with the rain! There is also room for more gardeners.

A pump has been installed and there is an existing well. In the future, likely next year, a drip irrigation system will be installed.

Deb Marnich, Head of Stewardship of Chocorua Lakes Conservation, looked at soil maps, the garden has Podunk soil, some of the best agricultural soil in NH. The great soil is on top of a clay layer.

6:50...New Business

- Vote to elect TEDC officers

Co-Chairs....Wyatt and Matt

Recording Secretary...~~Eleanor or Steve??~~→ Greg Hufford

Co-Treasurers... Rich and Matt

Webmaster...Rich

Greg to become full board member

(Pat will be resigning or become an Alternate after July meeting)

Steve to request SBoard to approve Greg and Pat role changes.

Wyatt made a motion to approve slate, Matt Seconded. All approved.

7:58...Public Comment

7:00.... Action Items and Adjournment

~~-Next meeting is August 9~~

Wyatt to Contact Laura Pike about Finances

Wyatt can Email Becky Mason

Greg to email draft minutes to Matt and Wyatt for approval

- **Then send to webmaster and let webmaster that previous months minutes were approved.**

Board has decided to Cancel Aug 9 Meeting. Next Meeting is Sept 12.

TEDC will reach out to attorneys and a facilitator

Thanks to Pat for all of her Service to the Town!

Note....The TEDC Mission Statement is at the top of each agenda.

We have never written by-laws....do we need them?

Meeting adjourned at 6 :37 pm