

# **Tamworth Economic Development Commission Minutes**

**Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 6 PM at the Cook Library**

**MISSION STATEMENT:** The Tamworth Economic Development Commission will develop a strategy for the retention, growth and attraction of businesses in Tamworth. The Commission should be charged with:

- . **Supporting and maintaining the existing business base of our town and promoting a climate friendly to new business.**
- . **Identifying the specific types of businesses that match the character of Tamworth**
- . **Making realistic recommendations to the town to enable growth of its existing business base; retain and promote existing businesses, and attract new businesses to the town.**
- . **Coordinating town economic development activities with surrounding towns and utilize regional and state resources.**

Much of the meeting was dedicated to the planned AgriBusiness Informational Forum scheduled for either Oct. 25 or Nov. 8, 2014.

-Discussions as to invitees....including:

UNH Cooperative Extension, Directors of the Tamworth Farmers Market, sellers from Farmers Market, Maynard Thomson and his email list of restaurants and growers, local growers, Selectmen and Planning Boards and Conservation groups of Tamworth, Albany, Freedom, Madison and Ossipee..and maybe Sandwich, local small grocery stores, regional restaurants and food providers, etc.

-Discussions as to Locations....

Hobbs, Lyceum properties?

-Refreshments and possible providers

-Requirements and forms needed for mass selling... from Coop. Extension

Also discussed were electronic waste options and whose responsibility and possible funders/costs.

Those present suggested we omit the July meeting due to conflicts with several Commissioners. Those not present at the meeting will be notified.

Next meeting will be August 12, 2014.