

Tamworth
Economic Development Commission

Minutes for the October 6, 2011 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

Present at the meeting: Commissioners present: Pat Farley, Karen McNiff, Willie Farnum, Kristin McIntire, Dennis Quinn, Keats Meyer; Alternates present: None; Public present: None

Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting was made by Keats Meyer, seconded by Dennis Quinn and passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

TamWireless: New board members are still being recruited. The fiber provided by TimeWarner will be available in one to two weeks. This will allow TamWireless to be very competitive with other wireless internet providers. The current reach of TamWireless is 400 locations with a target market of 250 customers. TamWireless is distributing a new marketing brochure outlining current plans and features of their service. They will have a presence at two Farmer's Markets.

MWEDC Executive Board: Pat Farley attended a meeting of the MWEDC Executive Board at which there were discussions of possible funding sources for small business ventures. The Executive director and the President of the MWEDC Executive Board have agreed to visit Tamworth to share information about these sources and will also include the steps needed to apply for grants. An early January date for the presentation is still to be determined. Meetings with a select group of people already in the process of creating new business in Tamworth may be set up prior to the January presentation.

Old/New Business

Tax credits: No specific information on tax credits/incentives provided by other New Hampshire towns has been found. Keats Meyer to continue researching.

2012 Budget: Kristin McIntire will put together a budget of proposed costs for projects in 2012 prior to the Selectmen's budget meeting on October 28.

Action points

Kristin McIntire to put mission statement on the EDT website.

Keats Meyer to further research tax credits/incentives.

Pat Farley and Karen McNiff to identify people interested in creating an abattoir.

Kristin McIntire to create budget request for 2012 FY.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m. The next meeting will be on November 3.