



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting (and Fall Social)
Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2022
Time: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Location: Maquam Barn & Winery
Address: 125 Duffy Road, Milton, VT 05468
Contact: (802) 893-6655
Website: www.miltonvt.gov

MINUTES

Members Present: Don Turner, Jr., Town Manager/Chair; Lou Mossey, Community Member; Lindsey Ruhl, Community Member; Cymone Haiju, Planning & Development Review Director; Richard Saunders, Business Member; Richard DeSouza, Business Member; Amy Rex, Superintendent of Schools; Michael Joseph, Business Member; Anthony Micklus, Business Member

Members Absent: Jenna Tucker Eugair, Recreation Director; June Mary Plankey, Business Member; Robert Lombard, Community Member

Others Present: Darren Adams, Milton Selectboard Chair; Chris Taylor, Milton Selectboard Member; Representative Chris Mattos; Representative Leland Morgan; Cathy LaClair, Milton on the Move Coordinator; Brittany Tradup, Town Manager's Office; Amber N. Baker, Finance Director; John Bartlett, HR and Operations Director; Shaun Brooks; Darcy Brooks; Jessica Groeling; Lori Donna; Reginald Goden; Mary Goden; Lisa Rees; Irene Wrenner; Allison Duquette; Chuck Wilton; Jordan LaFond; Seth Duchesneau; Kym Duchesneau; Leslie Piela

1. Call to Order

D. Turner called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

2. Attendance

Attendees introduced themselves.

3. Agenda Review

No Changes

4. Public Forum

None

5. Approval of Minutes of September 28, 2022

Motion made by M. Joseph to approve the Minutes of September 28, 2022, with a second by A. Micklus. Motion approved.

6. Milton Business Guide

June Plankey could not attend the meeting, but she provided the following email to D. Turner prior to the meeting as an update:

- A sincere appreciation to Husky for their financial support.
- Print Production is moved out several weeks due to the amount of time to reach out to local businesses and solidify an agreement with business content.

- Approximately 3 non-profits to be paid by the EDC spending plan.
- Hampton Inn in Colchester and St. Albans will participate as our anchor hotels, i.e. inviting visitors to their Neighboring Town. (June agrees to pay for their participation.)
- Two additional VT 189 area rest stops have been added. The costs to add them may be paid by Husky or EDC, a discussion needed to talk through the costs, benefits, etc. I (June) certainly can walk us through this at our next EDC meeting.
- A QR Code will be added to the Milton Guide -- front page (or quick on-line access to Milton Businesses).

In addition, I've added a small narrative of what we used to capture small business interest.

What are the Benefits for Milton Businesses?

- The Milton Guide is our gateway to everything Milton has to offer.
- Guides will be available in your business and all participating businesses & hotels.
- Guides will also be distributed to rest stops and welcome centers in our region.
- Paper and electronic (online) guides are planned for distribution.
- The Guide is intended to reach local residents and Milton visitors/tourists.

There was some further discussion about the guide. Turner addressed several questions from attendees.

7. Adjournment

Motion made by M. Joseph to adjourn the meeting with a second by A. Micklus. Motion Approved.

D. Turner adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brittany Tradup

APPROVED MINUTES:

 Date: 1/25/23
Don Turner, Jr., Chair

Filed with the Milton Town Clerk's Office on this 26th day of January, 2023.

ATTEST: Kristi Beas, Milton Town Clerk