

**MINUTES**  
**Economic Development Commission**  
**Monday, October 4, 2004**  
**Town Council Chambers - 909 Foxon Road**  
**7:30 p.m.**

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairman Al Clemente called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

**Members Present:** Al Clemente, Dawn Pearson, John Greening and Jim Mahoney, CERC and Brian Miller, CERC

**Members Absent:** Kevin Grant

**Guests:** Town Manager, Karl Kilduff, Joanne Wentworth and Marie Burkle

- 2. Approval of Previous Minutes:** Chairperson Al Clemente made a motion to approve minutes from October 4, 2004 meeting, John Greening seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with the following changes: it should MINUTES not Discussion Notes and it should JOHN Greening not Jim.
- 3. Economic Development - Staff Report:** The following are headlighthts of Jim Mahoney, Economic Development Coordinator's monthly report:
  - Developed a questionnaire and database for Real Estate related interviews, similar to the Business Visitation questionnaire and database.
  - Tax Abatement Program Application was approved by the Town Council
  - STEAP Grant was approved for a half-million dollars for improvement behind the Northford Ice Rink for new development.
  - Brian Miller, attended Regional Growth Partnership. Brian Miller mentioned on the RGP Agenda was how more towns should do Business Visitations, which, Jim Mahoney is doing for the Town of North Branford.
  - Greater New Haven CID meets third Wednesday of every month at various Town and their properties in the surrounding Great New Haven. North Branford will be hosting the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. This will be a great opportunity for North Branford.
  - Jim Mahoney started to review the industrial zoning regulations, after reviewing the regulations Jim will bring his ideas for review to the Economic Development Commission

- 4. Any Other Items Member May Wish to Discuss:** Town Manager, Karl Kilduff met with Eileen Buckheit from Regional Partnership Growth to discuss the Route 80 Strategy plan. Dawn Pearson made a motion for the Route 80 Strategy plan be done by the Regional Partnership Growth, second by Al Clemente. All were in favor, none opposed.
- 5. Adjournment:** There being no further business, Chairperson Al Clemente made a Motion that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 p.m. John Greening seconded this Motion. All were in favor, none opposed and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina A. Cox  
Secretary

Cc: Town Clerk, EDC Members, Mayor Joanne Wentworth, Town Manager, Karl F. Kilduff, Town Planner, Carol Zebb and Steven Montesano