**2017 Economic Development Meeting**

Tuesday, April 3, 2018 Meeting opened at 8:00AM @ Town Office

**Present:** Kelly Dearborn-Luce, Administrator; Mike Tardiff, CNHRPC and Jared Reynolds, UNH Coop-Ext.

The first item of business was the discussion of the members not in attendance. The Committee had been working hard and very pro-active, we do not want to lose the momentum with our achievements to date. If the meeting times are not working out for the majority of the members we will need to discuss this at the next meeting in May. It is recommended to have at least 6-8 members present at each meeting.

Kelly reviewed some items regarding to 79-E, Study for a 3rd well, the proposed signs and the Town meeting votes. Chris Bowes, Selectmen spoke about the tax incentive at deliberative session.

Future meetings and marketing ideas were discussed such as;

Farmers market at Route 4 rest area, the tax incentive for construction for next year, have existing business join the committee, have the Realtors list our zones with Choose NH and on new web site, public information about the water extension and business retention study. Chris Bowes, Selectman has been in contact with NHDOT regarding the Route 4 rest area. Jared will contact Coop (Farmers) for more information. Kelly will check with local farmers.

Jared will be meeting with Pittsfield Community development group and discuss their down town projects and maybe our committee could join them in near future to discuss regionalization.

This meeting is our first anniversary meeting.

Mike reviewed the proposed EDC strategic plan outline and the committee had been productive in 2017. Some goals to keep working on are; a Riverwalk, Water system improvements (feasibility study), trail system and meet with Chichester for future Rte. 4 development.

The signs for the ERZ still need a unique name and this group nominated (as a sub-committee) Liz Robinson and Bobbi-Lynn Thomas to create the names

Kelly spoke about sending a letter to the local contractors and ERZ property owners to invite them back to the meeting now that we have been approved for the zones and tax incentive.

The next meeting will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month due to the Auditors using the meeting room on the first Tuesday - **May 8, 2018 at 8:00AM at Town Office.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:55AM

Respectfully submitted, Kelly Dearborn-Luce