**2017 Economic Development Meeting**

Tuesday, September 12, 2017 Meeting opened at 8:00AM @ Town Office

**Present:** Kelly Dearborn-Luce, Administrative Assistant; Mike Tardiff, CNHRPC; Chris Bowes, Selectmen; Bobbi-Lynn Thomas, Public Member/Realtor, Liz Robinson, Public Member/Realtor and special guest Louis Houle and Bob Bradley from Community Development and Greater Chamber of Commerce.

Mike Tardiff from CNHRPC opened the meeting at 8:00am.

Minutes of August meeting were accepted.

Members introduced themselves to the guests. Louie Houle and Bob Bradley spoke about their involvement with Pittsfield economic community development and The greater area Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber meets the first Monday of the month. Louie spoke about the need for volunteers and networking.

Chris and his son Jack Bowes compiled the ERZ lots that may have potential for development on a video. Jack used his drone and provided aerial views of the lots. The video was a great presentation of the lots. Mike has the thumb drive and will take photos from the video.

Mike Tardiff spoke about the application deadline and will work with Kelly on completing the application to have the Selectmen sign it at their next meeting. Mike will attend the meeting on the 25th for presentation.

Chris Bowes reported on the Rte. 4 – Rest Area. The area was cleaned up by volunteers. The State has the property on surplus and the Town will have first options.

Glenn Horner spoke about the trail system near Short Falls and Route 4 for promoting recreational uses in Town.

The Economic Revitalization Zone (ERZ) program and RSA 79-E tax incentives were discussed

again Mike spoke about the changes with DRED. Kelly will draft the language to have the warrant article ready for March meeting. Louie said Pittsfield adopted theirs about 4 years ago and has been working for a couple of businesses.

Kelly discussed the budget line items for the Economic Development Committee. It was suggested to have funds available for signs when we are ready to advertise the ERZ.

Mike will be attending the meetings regarding the DOT 10 year transportation plans.

Members discussed the planning and zoning process and Kelly would like to invite the recent applicants to review their process.

**The next meeting will be October3rd at 8:00AM at Town Office.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:10AM.

Respectfully submitted, Kelly Dearborn-Luce