

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Oxford Town Hall
Tuesday, May 21, 2013— 7:00 PM

- I. Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM.

-Members present:

Augie Palmer - (Chairman)
Edward Carver- (Vice Chairman)
Mike Macchio— (Member)
Pat Blanko- (Member)
David Stocker – (Seated Alternate)

-Members Absent: Andrew McGeever- EDC Director

-Others present:

Denise Randall- Acting Secretary

- I. Amendment to Agenda - None

II. Audience of Citizens

No audience of citizens present.

- III. Review and Acceptance of Regular Meeting Minutes – May 21th, 2013 minutes

Motion made by Ed Carver to accept the May 21, 2013 regular meeting minutes. **Seconded** by Pat Blanko. All in favor- 5-0

- IV. Secretary's Report – None

V. OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Updates- New Sub-Committee in place.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- VII. TREASURES REPORT: Newly adopted for July 1st, 2013. Starting budget is \$72,000.

VIII. DIRECTORS REPORT:

Ed Carver discussed the new program that is called "Oxford has jobs available" which is a listing of jobs descriptions of positions available with companies currently doing business in Oxford. An introduction letter was sent to employers of Oxford in April. The website link is on the Town of Oxford Website linked to Economic Development under "Oxford has Jobs" site. New and filled positions can be emailed every Monday morning and there will also be a print out of positions available in the Town Hall lobby each Tuesday morning. The goal is to establish a site that qualified job seekers from Oxford and the surrounding area can take advantage of available jobs.

Chairman A. Palmer discussed the Commercial and industrial split and how other surrounding area towns handle this.

Commissioner Member Pat Blanko stated the 13,000 people are shown on the demographics.

Chairman A. Palmer replied how Oxford can be so isolated with no major commercial roads intersecting with other towns.

Commission member D. Stocker asked if there is a natural gas line?

Chairman A. Palmer replied: There are in some of the industrial and Commercial areas.

Vice Chairman Ed Carver wanted to discuss why the prior member holding the money has decided to donate this to the Boys and Girls Club and he spoke with Town Attorney Kevin Condon to send a letter regarding this.

The Commissioner members then had a discussion regarding this matter and Chairman A. Palmer then stated he will make sure he follows up with Attorney Condon.

Vice Chairman Ed Carver stated he wanted to get a list of contractors who are in this town and be able to place them on the website.

Commissioner Member P. Blanko suggested a sign up area for contractors and stated that we are in need of a grocery store in this town.

Vice Chairman E. Carver stated he would like a copy of conservation development. The town website has old information and we need to make it current to show new demographics and an overview on vital statistics.

Chairman A. Palmer asked if there are any questions at this time.

Chairman A. Palmer stated: He would like to get a sub-committee together for a long-range plan for growth and also focus on publicity for a better life for the town's people of Oxford.

Vice Chairman Ed Carver mentioned that he will still need a short bio of each member and they can either email the secretary or myself.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairman A. Palmer wanted to discuss replacing Mr. Tichy as a member. We will need 2 alternates and 1 full time Committee member.

Motion made by Commissioner Member M. Macchio to remove Eric Tichy from the Commission for lack of attendance. Vice Chairman E. Carver seconded. All in favor. 5-0

Chairman A. Palmer wanted to let the Commission know about Oxford Day and that maybe next year we should set up a booth and become a part of it.

The Commission agreed.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Commissioner Dave Stocker to adjourn **seconded** by Vice Chairman Ed Carver
There was no discussion, the motion passed unanimously, meeting adjourned at 8:09.

Respectfully Submitted,



Denise Randall,

Secretary

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Joseph A. West
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