

**Town of Chesterfield
Economic Development Committee**

**MINUTES
August 17, 2017**

Attendees

Jon Starbuck, chair, Don Brehm, Jeff Migneault, Selectman representative Norman VanCor

Also in attendance: Town Administrator Rick Carrier

Jon S called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

The committee reviewed the July 20th meeting minutes and approved as amended.

Jon would like the committee to review the charge. He then read from the June 15th EDC minutes for ideas the committee the might consider addressing in the charge. Jon will write up draft changes for the charge, distribute to the committee for the next EDC meeting.

Jeff inquired if the committee could solicit funds to upgrade services along the Route 9 corridor, such as for phase III power or better internet. Norman replied that a non-profit organization could do that.

Jon requested that Norm write up his thoughts regarding the discussion on projects from the June 15th meeting with which the EDC might assist the Board of Selectmen. Norman will distribute the ideas for the committee's review and discussion at the next EDC meeting.

Jon has been in contact with United Natural Food's Chris Richmond. Chris is will to meet with the EDC in October. He is available on Tuesday October 17th and his preference is for 5:00 pm. The committee voted to hold their October meeting on Tuesday, October 17th @ 5:00 pm in the Town Offices.

Town updates – the upcoming Summer Informational Meeting was noted. Discussion of the old Town Office building was noted. Jeff asked if the property could be leased or purchased. Jeff and Don will get together to tour the inside of the old town office building. Rick noted that the ZBA heard the variance request from the town on the solar project. The ZBA had questions they would like answered for their next meeting. Don asked about the fireworks ordinance, which was noted is still being drafted by the Selectboard. Norman discussed the Spofford Lake Project that is being done in collaboration with the Spofford Lake Association and the SWRPC. There will be volunteers canvassing the Spofford Lake area on Saturday, September 9th to survey property owners about their septic systems.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, September 21, 2017.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Submitted by: Rick Carrier