

TOWN OF NEWTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
January 10, 2012
MINUTES

Chairwoman Logan called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Mr. Russo called the roll: Mr. Hayek, Dr. Woodhull, Dr. Clark, Mr. Zwahl, Ms. Joice, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Russo, Councilwoman Becker, and Chairwoman Logan were present.

Chairwoman Logan stated that the Open Public Meetings Act had been complied with.

Dr. Clark moved the minutes of September 13, 2011 as presented, seconded by Mr. Prendergast. All were in favor. Minutes approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Reorganization

Chairwoman: Melissa Logan

Nominated by Dr. Clark, seconded by Dr. Woodhull. Nominations closed.

All in favor.

Vice Chairman: John Zwahl

Nominated by Dr. Woodhull, seconded by Mr. Hayek. Nominations closed.

All in favor.

Secretary: Deb Millikin

Nominated by Chairwoman Logan, seconded by Dr. Woodhull. Nominations closed. All in favor.

2. New Business Development/Recruitment - Mr. Russo advised the EDC that the Armory property will be acquired this year by the Town and either sold via auction or as part of a redevelopment agreement. He indicated that Thorlabs is in the process of receiving their certificate of occupancy and that the Town anticipates a ribbon cutting in the spring. Mr. Russo indicated that the Winter Famers' Market is doing well in the Springboard Shoppes and that the Town will endeavor to host a summer version as well. Mr. Russo also advised that The Plaza Mediterranean Grill Restaurant is doing quite well as is the new Thai restaurant.

3. MSN/Spring Street Merchants Group – Mr. Russo provided a brief update on same.

4. Review and Approval of 2012 Meetings Calendar.

Motion to approve as presented by Dr. Woodhull, seconded by Mr. Prendergast.

All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

Open to the Public - No one from the public spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Woodhull, seconded by Dr. Clark. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:07pm.

Next meeting is March 13, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas S. Russo, Jr.".

Thomas S. Russo, Jr.
Town Manager