

GOSHEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

MINUTES

Monday, July 26, 2021

7:00-8:00

Hybrid Meeting: in person and on Zoom

1. The meeting was called to order by Anne Green, Chair. In attendance: Anne Green, Heidi Koenig, Todd Carusillo, Bill Commerford, Clint Thorn were in attendance. Chris Sanders was on the phone.
2. Vote: The meeting from June 28th was cancelled, therefore no minutes. Minutes from May 24th were approved by Heidi and seconded by Todd.
3. The guest was Cindy Barrett
4. Old Business
The Commissioners reviewed the document, "EDC Review for Goshen Planning and Zoning Regulations." The intention is to streamline the process while adhering to the Current principles with the P&Z guidelines.

Further discussion slightly refined the document to include expanding the review of signage to include ALL businesses, and suggesting P&Z implement an "Architectural Review Board."

1. Review Special Permit Process to create a shorter process (in time) for new, already permitted businesses.
2. Review current limits to signage for all businesses.
3. Update/Add Small Scale Manufacturing category to clarify a "studio" as a possible business.
4. Review current "Home Office" regulations to permit greater ease of applications.

The slightly revised document was proposed for acceptance by Todd, seconded by Bill. Motion passed with a yes vote from Heidi, Clint, Todd, Bill, and Anne. Chris abstained due to his involvement (only) by phone.

The document will be sent to Don Wilkes (Chair of P&Z) and Marty Conner for discussion at an upcoming P&Z Commission meeting.

It was suggested by Bill and agreed by the Commissioners to work with P&Z to create a small informational packet regarding the important regulations and process for starting a business in Goshen. Heidi and Anne will work on that!

The slightly revised document will accompany the July EDC Minutes on our Goshen Gov. Web Page.

5. New Business

Anne mentioned her meeting with Betsy Paynter (NHCOG Marketing advisor) and Cleve Fuessenich, past Chair of the Litchfield EDC . They agreed that a joint meeting between the Goshen and Litchfield EDCs and Betsy, to discuss mutual interests and ideas would be a great idea. It was agreed by all. Anne will pursue more details and let everyone know possible dates, times and agenda.

Anne reminded Commissioners as to an upcoming GBC event in August at the Sunset Meadows Winery to "Meet the Legislators." This was the event that was cancelled last month due to rain. Anne will confirm day and times and let Commissioners know.

Anne alerted the Commissioners to the upcoming "Goshen Affordable Housing Plan" meeting at 7:00 on August 2nd.

6. Public Comment: Cindy recommended that anyone wanting to join a future meeting of any Goshen committees and commissions go to: www.Goshenct.gov and follow instructions. (Thanks Cindy!)

7. There was no correspondence

The meeting was moved by Heidi and seconded by Bill and voted by all to adjourn at 8:01

Next Meeting Date: August 30: Hybrid meeting from 7-8:00

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Green, Chair

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Attest Barbara Z. Breen
Goshen Town Clerk