

**TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MONTHLY MEETING
Thursday, April 14th, 2016 – 7 p.m.
Central Meeting Room
11 Meetinghouse Lane**

Minutes

Members in attendance: Jody Ellant, Kate Brown, Jeremy Rosner, Yaron Baitch

1. Called to order 7:09 PM
2. No quorum present, March Minutes not voted on.
3. Jody Ellant informed the commission of the change of procedure relating to electronic Agendas and Minutes.
4. The proposed EDC budget was discussed and the commission was informed that starting 5/12/16 a staff member will be the recording secretary at all EDC meetings.
5. Wisdom of Woodbridge series was discussed. Yaron Baitch gave a brief report on the event and participants comments.
6. A report on the business networking event held on March 29th, 2016 was given by Jody Ellant. The event was well attended and the tour of the brewery was the highlight of the evening.
7. Networking, Cybersecurity Outreach Breakfast. Yaron Baitch will be presenting at the EDC outreach breakfast along with Michael Dews, Sr. Security Architect, Stanley – Black and Decker. Commissioners are encouraged to attend.
8. Synergies: Jade Maoz from Priest Maoz Law presented on the opening of her practice in Woodbridge. Mary DeGenennaro from Benchmark Senior Living (Coachman’s Square) discussed the upcoming Business Expo being held in June at Coachman’s Square.
9. Scarecrow festival. Kate Brown reported on changes to the Scarecrow Festival. The event is changing to a month long event with each weekend hosting at a different venue.

10. DECD Announcement by Jody Ellant about Brownfields and what the state is offering to help with remediation.
11. Synergies. Country Club of Woodbridge presentation on the status of the Country Club.
12. Synergies. New CERC data has been released for all 169 towns in CT.
13. Synergies. Jody discussed the meetings that First Selectman Scalettar is holding for different business clusters.
14. Synergies. Jody Ellant gave an update on the POCD and coordinated outreach with the town planner.
15. YUDW. Jody Ellant gave an update on the STEAP grant for signage.
16. Jody Ellant discussed the proposed extension of the bus route to Bradley road.
17. Promoting Woodbridge / Business Outreach. Jeremy Rosner gave an update on the Facebook page and cross promoting of businesses.
18. Promoting Woodbridge / Business Outreach No update.
19. Public Comments. None.
20. Other Business. None.
21. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Yaron Baitch