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**Thomaston EDC**

SEP 15 2016

**September 12, 2016**

Time 4:45 P  
Thomaston Town Clerk  
*Chris*

**Present:** Mike Madow, Matt Stancavage, Rich Sileo, Jeff Dunn, Joe Hartz, Lissa Jennings

**Others:** Jeremy Leifert-Staff, Carol Hoebel-Recording Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Motion to accept the minutes as amended from August was made by Jeff D. and seconded by Mike M. Motion passed unanimously.

**Communications:** None

**Old Business:**

1. The EDA Grant was rejected. Rich S. is going to contact them for more clarification as to why.
2. Property Listings – 135 South Main Street asked for a Certificate of Idleness for their Enterprise Zone Application.
3. Tax Incentive Ordinance Revisions – There is a State Law Revision that takes effect October 1<sup>st</sup> which took out some restrictions and that will give more flexibility to Thomaston. Rich S. had a question with a sentence that showed Retail Space? Jeremy L. will ask Atty. Mike Rybak for clarification.
4. Gateway Signage – Jeremy L. is still waiting to hear from DOT. Jeff D. stated that he knew someone who works at DOT and will reach out to him. Lissa J. found information on line where Towns can “Adopt a Ramp” and put up a sign. She is going to submit an application.
5. Introduction Letter was submitted to the Board of Selectman for approval. It was given back to Jeremy L. with a slight change. Rich S. will talk to Ed about it.

**New Business: None**

**Business Happenings:**

Final Inspection of the new Cumberland Farms has been done. It will be opening in 2 weeks.

**Subcommittee Reports:**

1. Video and Website – CGI will be in town for the next 2 days to start video taping and will also be using a drone. EDC Members will be working with them and showing areas of town to video tape. For the Town Website the first pass of the wire framing has been done. Will need content next and still need a Logo for the Website. Hopefully it will be up and running by late December.
  
2. Downtown Development – Dave Barberet said that he would be on the Town Center Plan Committee. There is still 1 more vacancy for a business owner. Jeff also stated that a lot more people are using the bus and suggested a bench be put out near the bus stop in front of the Town Hall. Jeremy said that would not be a problem. Jeff is going to see what the Rotary Club can do.
  
3. Business Relations – none

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm by Jeff D. and seconded by Matt S. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hoebel - Secretary