



# Town of Westminister

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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## Economic Development Committee (EDC) – Meeting Minutes for June 1, 2016

Members Present - Joe Serio, Jim Delisle, Jeff Crowley and Ralph LeBlanc.

Others Present - Steve Wallace - Town Planner.

Members Absent - Scott Aubuchon and Eric Callahan.

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM by Chairman Serio.

The meeting began with approval of the minutes from the May 4 meeting (all in favor).

The meeting started by welcoming new member Jim Delisle, who is serving as the Board of Selectmen's representative.

The Committee discussed the results of the Town Meeting votes on the zoning articles, and the Town Planner explained the next phase of the zoning update process.

The Committee also discussed the Governor's Community Compact which will pay for Northeastern University's Dukakis Center to come out and take the Town's policy makers through an economic self-assessment.

The Committee moved onto its business solicitation effort, reviewing a draft regional resources fact sheet prepared by the Town Planner. It was agreed that the solicitation packages would not be sent out until the in-line sewer storage system becomes operational sometime in October or November. The Committee agreed to find a place on the fact sheet for the Town's outstanding bond rating, and a few testimonials from local business owners (Wachusett Mountain, Wachusett Brewery and Aubuchon Hardware). The draft fact sheet has been sent out to the North-Central Chamber of Commerce and the Montachusett Regional Planning Commission for review.

Chairman Serio provided a brief update on the planning for the second annual Cracker Festival, which will take place on Saturday October 22nd this year.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. The next meeting of the EDC will be Wednesday night, September 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM in Room 112.