

## **Somers Economic Development Commission Minutes of April 6, 2015**

1. Call to Order: Secretary Maskill called the meeting to order at 7:19 P.M. Members present: Tim Potrikus, Bob Schmidt, Victoria Clark, and Sarah Maskill. Community members present: Ms. Kathy Welch.
2. A motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 2, 2015 was made by Ms. Clark, and seconded by Mr. Potrikus. The motion carried 4-0.
3. Mr. Reed was absent and correspondence was not discussed.
4. Ms. Maskill introduced Kathy Welch, President of Standing Room Only Productions, a new non-profit theatre group in Somers. Ms. Maskill abstained from discussion and voting due to her involvement with the group as Vice President and familial relation.

SRO Productions was organized to promote and develop the arts, and craft a high quality theatre experience for their members, patrons and the community. They plan to stage Shrek this summer, and are seeking to raise funds for this show by way of program advertisements. Ms. Clark made a motion to support SRO Productions through the use of social media posts, extending an invitation to the next Business After Hours event, and updating the Somers business community membership. Mr. Potrikus seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0-1(abstention).

5. A) Mr. Schmidt stated that the Somers Business Directory has been distributed. Tim Potrikus asked that a final accounting of Directory expenses and revenues be presented at the next EDC meeting.  
B) Ms. Clark announced the next Business After Hours event to be held at the new Edward Jones office in the Geissler Plaza, with a tentative date of April 29<sup>th</sup>, 5-7 p.m. Two additional BAH event locations are in process.  
C) Ms. Clark reported that Mr. Sutter has spoken with the Rotary regarding the Business/High School partnership, and will inform the EDC of his progress.  
D) Ms. Clark reported that posts continue on the EDC Facebook page, and its following continues to grow.  
E) Mr. Reed was absent and the Routes 83/190 intersection was not discussed.  
F) Mr. Cheney was absent and the POCD was not discussed.
6. A) Mr. Reed was absent and the EDC budget request was not discussed.  
B) Ms. Clark is in contact with the Copper House Tavern (formerly Somers Inn), and a Grand Opening date has not been set.
7. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Potrikus and seconded by Ms. Clark. The motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:58.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Maskill

*Minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.*