

Minutes of the Economic Development Commission held at 8:15 A.M., on Thursday, June 27, 2013.

Members Present: Richard LoPresti, Frank Maher, Radha Prasad, Deborah Moore, Walter Mann, Walter Spader

Members Absent: First Selectman Freda, Christopher Duby, Todd DePino

MINUTES

Chairman LoPresti asked for approval of the Minutes of the Regular meeting held on May 23, 2013. Mr. Spader moved their acceptance, seconded by Ms. Moore.

VOTE:	LoPresti -Yes	Maher - Yes	Moore - Yes
	Mann – Yes	Prasad – Yes	Spader - Yes

RESTAURANT WEEK

Ms. Nancy Dudchik, President of the Hamden Chamber of Commerce, gave an overview of Hamden’s restaurant week. She said the key to a successful restaurant week is advertising and press/media coverage. She also recommended getting the restaurant owners together to discuss price and menus. Ms. Dudchik said the Town should embrace all restaurants. She said to go with a fixed price and then for smaller restaurants offer a buy one get one free. She said it is a wonderful event but it is a very involved and time consuming project. Further discussion followed with commission members asking questions.

SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST

Mr. LoPresti said that he has secured Holiday Inn for Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> for our fall breakfast. CERC will present their final report for northern Washington Avenue. The theme of the meeting will be northern Washington Avenue. He said that speakers include Mr. Inglese - the D’Addio Property, OR & L - the P &W property, and Mr. Candido from Quinnipiac Bank.

COMMISSION UPDATE

None.

M. FREDa UPDATE

Since Mr. Freda could not attend this meeting, Mr. LoPresti gave an update on the various economic development projects he is working on.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for July 25, 2013 at **8:15 a.m.**

There being no further business before the Commission, Mr. Spader moved to adjourn the meeting at 9: 20 AM, seconded by Mr. Maher.