

Windham Economic Development Committee
Infrastructure Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes, June 8, 2016

Approved

PRESENT: Mike Oldenburg, Gary Garfield. Lisa Walker and Ralph Valentine

Call to order at the Windham Comm. Dev. Dept. at 7:35 AM.

Meeting minutes for May 25, 2016 were reviewed and accepted as submitted on a motion by Mike, second by Lisa with a 4-0-0 vote.

No update on water line extension to Routes 111 and 128 intersection. Ralph noted that DES has been busy dealing with the PFOA contamination in Merrimack and a few other towns.

Liberty Utilities is in talks with PUC about its franchise application to Windham and Pelham. The May 25 hearing was postponed.

Eversource will be contacted to re-schedule with WEDC.

A joint workshop with Cobbett's Pond Improvement Association (CPIA) and Canobie Lake Protective Association (CLPA) and EDC's Infrastructure Sub-Committee took place. Each of the 3 groups talked about its position on expansion of infrastructure in Windham: Natural Gas, Water and Sewer. All recognize the fact that 2 large water bodies, Canobie Lake and Cobbett's Pond, are very important natural resources. They are precariously located in close proximity to Interstate 93.

All recognize the fact that 1) development cannot take place at the expense of these 2 water bodies, 2) 92% of Windham's taxes are contributed by residential homeowners and 3) an increase in commercial development will help to relieve that burden.

The groups decided that they would meet again and keep a dialogue open.

No meeting has been scheduled yet.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 Mike second by Gary motion passed 3-0-0 (Lisa had excused herself at 9:10).

Ralph Valentine