ROCHESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES - JULY 21, 2016 4:00 PM SOLID MACHINE – GRANITE STATE BUSINESS PARK 61 AIRPORT DRIVE, ROCHESTER, NH

MEMBERS PRESENT Susan DeRoy, Chairman
Kris Ebbeson
Mark Hourihane
Ron Poulin
John Larochelle
Troy Dillow
Christine DeAngelis
Janet Davis, Secretary
Karen Pollard, CEcD, EDP
Jennifer Marsh, E.D. Specialist
Mayor Caroline McCarley

MEMBERS ABSENT -Jonathan Shapleigh, Co-Chairman

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE - Mike Provost, Director, Rochester Main Street

4:00 PM - Brian Godbout, owner of Solid Machine provided a very informative overview on the history of Solid Machine and of the services they offer. Following his presentation, the Commissioners were given a tour of the facility.

- A. CALL TO ORDER Chairman Susan DeRoy called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM. Attendance was taken & no introductions were required.
- B. APPROVAL June 16, 2016 Regular Meeting Motion made by Mark Hourihane, second by Kim Ebbeson to approve the regular minutes of the June 16, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.
- C. DISCUSSION GOAL ASSIGNMENT UPDATES Various committees were reviewed and discussed -Karen updated Commissioners on the Rochester Fairgrounds - The Rochester Fairgrounds Board has requested the City to consider waiving their annual administration fee of \$10,000. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor will also be working on hosting fireworks next July 3rd.
- D. MAGAZINE CONTENT FOR ROCHESTER –

 Karen has continued to promote positive stories on economic development to Fosters and has asked them to send the Rochester Radar to both residents and businesses. In further promotion for the city, Karen is considering business profiles for the upcoming magazine she is working on.

A new edition of the NEREJ (New England Real Estate Journal) came out on July 21st and there is a 2 page article on Rochester.

E. ARTS & PROSPERITY -

Discussion was held on the surveys that are currently in process.

F. DISCUSSION - ED FUND UPDATE -

Changes were proposed to Section 11.20 of the Codes and Ordinances and agreed upon by both the Governmental Affairs committee and REDC and will be submitted to the Council for consideration. Motion made by Mark Hourihane to accept this change, 2nd by Christine DeAngelis - All in favor – motion carried.

G. DISCUSSION - DOWNTOWN BANNERS FOR EVENTS -

Karen brought up that when it is time for the Rochester Fair there is little to no decorating done as there was in the past. It would also be nice for Main Street and other events to utilize them. City is already looking in to banner poles and possible sites for them.

H. Non-Public - Motion made by John Larochelle at 5:30 PM, second by Mark Hourihane to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 section II (d). Roll Call vote taken – all in favor. Motion made by Kris Ebbeson at 5:45 PM second by Ron Poulin to exit the Non-Public Session and to seal the minutes indefinitely. All in favor – Motion carried.

Motion made at 5:50 PM by Mark Hourihane, second by Ron Poulin to adjourn. All in favor - Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 18, 2016 AT 4:00 PM - CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CONFERENCE ROOM - 31 WAKEFIELD STREET, ROCHESTER, NH