

Economic Development Commission
March 12, 2025
Third Floor Council Chambers – City Hall

Call to order: 6:05 pm

Roll Call: F. Brown, S. Williams and E. Slomba

Pledge of Allegiance

Review Minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes by F. Brown, seconded by S. Williams with the correction, the spelling of Stiles School. Motion carried

Public Input: Sylvia Yanez, from the Sports Facility & Event Space, 150 Front Street, West Haven, CT. They would like to have the sidewalk extended in front of their establishment. They are seeing more foot traffic from UNH students.

Economic Development Director Update:

Debonair Hotel – the sale of DH closed since last meeting Planning and Zoning are to approve zoning issues, manufacturing and industrial zones

Stiles School was sold it will be turned into 30 apartments, the closing will be on May 30th

The Reva is on target to open on July 1st, 2025

Conference Center going forward with their plans, on target to open next year

Economic Development is looking to do a Summitt in early May, in the Harriett room. He will keep us posted. Madame co-chair told him to let the EDC know if there is anything we can do to help.

The Masonic Temple building – a grant was received of 8 million dollars to renovate the first floor. It will be available to West Haven residents only. The details for the use of the building have not been finalized.

Restaurant Week:

We have approximately 20 restaurants. We will investigate having the mayor advertising on her FB live page, have flyers, poster design and putting them into the storefront windows.

New Business:

Ordinances coming up will be voted on. A page with the city businesses

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM

Report submitted by
Scotti Williams