

Warren County Economic Development Committee (WCEDC)

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2017

Chair Schultheis called to order the Meeting at 8:00 AM.

Roll Call:

Present: Eve Azar, Mitchell Jones, Andrea Kirchuk, John Kruk, Stan Prater, Chair Betty Schultheis, Herman Shoemaker, Linda Stettler, Chris Maier, Scott Anderson

Pledge of Allegiance:

All present stood and recited the Pledge.

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Stettler made a motion, seconded Mr. Kruk, to approve the April 13, 2017 minutes. All in favor. Mr Prater abstained

Welcome and Introductions:

Jim Ferguson from Hackettstown Medical Center

Reports Of Committees

- Corey Tierney (Mitch reported in his absence) – Grow Warren Grant contract - Mitch reported on recent meeting regarding activities going forward.
- Art Charlton-Tourism Update, Farmers Fair 2017
- Status of Economic Development Consultants' Project :
 - Betty Reported on Next steps in the Implementation Process including:
 - Permitting System and data capture as well as sub-committee set up.
 - Development Process Improvements focusing on “Red Carpet Treatment”, Joint Municipal and County meetings, better access to information through county website.
 - Using defined process flow from Gina for inquiries
 - Distribute Brownfield Lists and Property Information sheets to municipalities and developers.
 - Increase marketing activities including Marketing sheets, identify unmet business needs, add signage to Rts 80 and 78, and work on branding for the county. Some branding ideas suggested were: Greenlands, Skylands, Highlands and You Can Breathe Out Here.

PUBLIC COMMENT

New Business:

- New Role of Hackettstown Medical Center-James Furgeson – Jim Reported on the changes at Hackettstown Medical Center now that it is owned by Atlantic Health.

Next Meeting:

June 8 2017, 7:30pm Oxford Municipal Building–11 Green St. Oxford 07863

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 9:15 all in favor.

Andrea Kirchuk

Secretary