

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
JUNE 13, 2011**

Present: David Krisch, Arthur Boufford, Greg Johnson, Steven Bittel and Eric Stanley.

Chairman Krisch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Krisch introduced guest speaker, Carol Monroe, of NH FastRoads. Krisch informed Monroe that EDAC's goal is to encourage economic development in Swanzey. Monroe has been working with Fox to put together lists of community anchor institutions (CIA) within the town. NH FastRoads intent is to build an open access middle mile and last mile network that aggregates demand for the entire region. These services will be delivered to Community Anchor Institutions in the FastRoads service area and will be transported via fiber provided by the UNH middle mile backbone. FastRoads will install network equipment in local communities to provide off-ramps to deliver open access services to the Community Anchor Institutions. FastRoads will select the Provider(s) who will supply and install the physical infrastructure.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Minutes of the May 9, 2011 meeting were reviewed by the committee. Recording Secretary Munson informed the committee per Town Administrator Beth Fox of a correction that is needed in the last paragraph changing "Bittel suggested Fenton..." to "Lerandeau suggested Fenton...". Motion by Boufford to approve minutes with the change of names from Bittel to Lerandeau. Seconded by Bittel. Stanley and Johnson abstained.

**UPDATES**

**Reply from Unites States Postal Service re: Swanzey routes** — Krisch stated that deliveries have already changed. They are now being directed through the Keene Post Office. Johnson asked the committee if anyone noticed any changes. There were none. *Note: Postal Service delivery route changes were implemented on 6/18 per notifications received from USPS.*

**Power Fluctuations** – Johnson spoke with Alan Warner. He knows we're working on it. Bittel asked if PSNH had installed monitors into Nanotech. Krisch stated he didn't know, but asked that everyone try to stay informed.

**Thank you and welcome letters** – Recording Secretary Munson informed the committee per Town Administrator Beth Fox that the thank you letters have all been sent out. However, the welcome letters have not been sent yet.

**Mission Statement** - The committee reviewed a list of ideas drafted by Fox. Krisch asked that the committee take them home and let him know within the next week what their thoughts are.

**Other Matters** – Krisch asked if anyone could take over keeping on eye on and bringing everyone up to date with the progression of the NH Fastroads project. Johnson felt this would be great for Swanzey and stated that he and Krisch are members of the Southwest Region Planning Commission which discusses matters like this. They can bring this information to EDAC. Johnson stated he would follow up with the progression.

Krisch asked Johnson to share an experience he recently had with a close to be foreclosed upon Swanzey business. Johnson stated that he, as a realtor, had been called by the bank. Johnson put this property on the market and sold it through many negotiations within a month. The owner was released from all past attachments, etc. and was able to then rent the property so he could continue his business. Krisch felt that EDAC could be enablers for other businesses that are in

trouble. Johnson reminded him that we cannot act as a financial advisor. Krisch felt we could redirect them to where they would need to go to get assistance. Johnson felt the committee could take a role in the vacant properties in Swanzey.

The committee's next meeting date was discussed. Johnson suggested leaving it to the call of the Chair whether there will be a meeting in July or not.

Motion by Johnson to adjourn. Seconded by Bittel.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

Donna Munson  
Recording Secretary