## **Town Clerk**

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, April 1, 2021 12:33 PM

To:

Town Clerk

Cc:

Tom Weik; Ron Shaffer; Eileen Narbutas; Kip Finch; Jason Mangini; Ryan Taylor

Special Minutes

Subject:

**EDC Meeting Minutes** 

EDC Meeting Minutes: Tuesday March 23, 2021

Recording link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/WXm2fCQ74a60UjaDAgnn99KVzR3aXvpNzBfxcm-">https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/WXm2fCQ74a60UjaDAgnn99KVzR3aXvpNzBfxcm-</a>

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Attendees: Ryan Taylor, Kip Finch, Ben Paletsky, Ron Shaffer, Eileen Narbutas, Jason Mangini, Tom Weik Guest Attendees: Davd Irwin (DEEP Forestry), Bryan McFan (DEEP Parks)

- Motion to approve minutes (RT, JM second)
- Camp Columbia Review
  - O The state is looking to invest in CC and wants to get feedback from the Town of Morris
  - There is no current interest from the state right now to sell property.
  - The state may be opened to letting the town manage (own?) the boathouse land that's part of CC located on Bantam lake.
  - DEEP Parks and Rec are about to invest in the trail system on CC (across ~60 acres) and install history kiosks across the grounds and improve the trail conditions. Remaining buildings, TBD but they will maintain the tower.
  - O DEEP Forestry service is actively managing the remainder of the property it's more or less under conservation.
  - Key points from EDC to State
    - asked State to preserve as much history/architecture as possible, maintain safe and clean trails, consider trails widths that can accommodate
    - Requested that considerations be made for access in case of emergencies/etc.
    - Ron/Jason will continue to be Pont of Contact
  - EDC/State will continue open dialog via EDC
- FTTH Broadband
  - o Next regional Broadband meeting on 2/9.
- Regional Tourism
  - Businesses/ideas can be shared with the now active Western CT Tourism Bureau and also Discover Litchfield Hills directly or via EDC
- Motion to adjourn (JM, RT second)



