



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

December 10, 2025 at 7pm
Bantam Annex: 80 Doyle Road, Bantam, CT 06750

1. Call meeting to order at 7:05pm.

2. Appoint alternate member(s) for the meeting, as needed.

Present: *Victoria Butkus, Michelle Murelli, Tara Marie Lynch-Bares, Lindsey Turner, Cleve Fuessenich, Amanda Glover*

Absent: *Tom Roman, Renee Betar*

3. Approve minutes of November 19, 2025 meeting. Approved with minor correction.

4. EDC voted on the following:

- 2026 EDC meeting schedule (see below): Motioned by Tara, Lindsey seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.
- 2026 Restaurant Week: Discussion on keeping or adjusting the sponsorship structure. Tara motions to keep the format the same as prior years. Michelle seconds, all in favor. Motion passes.
- A250 (1/10 kickoff) Alice Ridgeway requests that the EDC open the Information Booth for the event. Michelle motions to allow for the opening of the booth for the event. Cleve seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.
- Reformatted seasonal itinerary - further discussion needed, vote is tabled until January meeting.

5. DATABASE WORKING SESSION - Evan Dobos joins the group discussion. Topics discussed include the use of AI, logic based data, utilizing NAICS codes, automated sourcing, and allowing the system to score itself on confidence for accuracy. The EDC will keep control of the database, it will not be made a public resource. Uses can include, but are not limited to business data, growth benchmarks, business sectors as they grow in or leave Litchfield. Further discussions to be had on updating, frequency for the updates, determining which businesses have dropped off, etc. ,
6. Adjourn at 7:55pm. Tara motions, Michelle seconds.

The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, January 28 at 7pm at the Bantam Annex.

Minutes prepared by Amanda Glover.

2026 EDC Meeting Schedule (Ratified)

January 28, 2026 | February 25, 2026 | March 25, 2026 | April 29, 2026 | May 27, 2026 | June 24, 2026

July 29, 2026 | August 26, 2026 | September 30, 2026 | October 28, 2026 | November 18, 2026 | December 9, 2026

Pay to play tara lindsey2 : pay to participate

Alice Ridgeway 1/10 America 250 bonfire N. St Ext Info booth open that night Borough won't let America 250 have a table vote to open the info booth vote michelle motions cleve second all in favor.

Table seasonal Itinerary to January

Evan for database, automated sourcing google, yelp, foursquare. Could be a resource and published right now. Missy to email and assign rows

Create a field separate for AI inputs

Logic based data like name and description to match the NAICS code 4 vs 6 code

Score itself on confidence that it's accurate

% of business per category, benchmarks for growth, keep with EDC not public resource

Update capabilities, human eyes to verify, frequency for updated, what dropped off, AI logic to detect,

Adjourn 7:55 Tara motions Michelle2