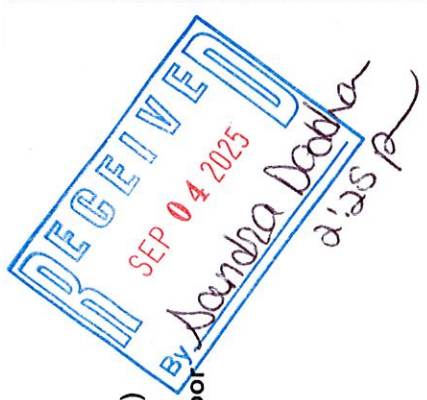


Town of Thomaston Economic Development Commission (EDC)
Regular Meeting Agenda • September 8, 2025 • 7:00 PM
Town Hall • 158 Main Street • Selectman's Conference Room, 4th Floor



1) **CALL TO ORDER**

2) **APPROVAL AND/OR CORRECTION OF MINUTES:**

- A. August 11, 2025 regular meeting

3) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. EDC Budget review

4) **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. **Chamber Updates**

- (1) **BrewFest Weekend** – Friday & Saturday, September 5-6, 5pm-11pm. Muzzy Field, Muzzy Street, Bristol. Friday samples from top brewers; food trucks available. Saturday music festival headlined by The Dave Matthews **Tribute Band**, UNCAGED the authentic tribute to the Zac Brown Band, and more.
- (2) Morning Jolt – **networking** hour; Tuesday, September 16, 8:00-9:00am.
- (3) **\$10K Reverse Raffle**; Thursday, September 18, 5:30-8:30pm. A chance to win \$10,000. Drawing will be September 18 at the Bristol Event Center. Attendance is not required to win.
- (4) Business After Hours – **networking**; Thursday, September 25, 5-7pm; **Clocktown Brewing**, 135 South Main Street, Thomaston. Food & one drink ticket. Refreshments provided.
- (5) PYVOT Business After Hours – young professionals; Thursday, September 25, 5:30-7:00pm. Open Mic Night for music, poetry, or comedy. Enjoy craft beer and food from La Cocina Cubana Food Truck. New Cambridge Project Brewery, 139 Center Street, Bristol.
- (6) PYVOT Legislative Panel – young professionals; Tuesday, September 30, 5:30-7:00pm. Wolcott Grill & Deli, 246 Wolcott Road, Wolcott. Meet Legislators and learn how to get involved in local legislation.
- (7) Reworld Facility Tour - Tuesday, October 7, 9:00-10:00am. Thermomechanical Treatment Facility, 170 Enterprise Drive, Bristol.
- (8) **Startup Panel** – Thursday, October 9, 5-7pm. For aspiring entrepreneurs. Present your ideas to a panel of experienced professionals and gain the advice, insight and connections to get started!
- (9) PowHERful Connections – Women's networking; Tuesday, October 14, 4:30-7:30pm. \$100 dinner/drink.

A. **CT Main Street**

- (1) Thomaston Main Street Assessment – review
- (2) Placemaking: Essentials of Public Murals (Part 1) webinar; Tuesday, September 23, 10:00–11:00am
- (3) Placemaking: Essentials of Public Murals (Part 2) webinar; Tuesday, September 30, 10:00–11:00am
- (4) The Power of Place: Placemaking; 8:00am–1:00pm. Shubert Theater: Elm City Cabaret, 247 College St. New Haven, members \$75

2) **STAFF REPORT:**

A. EDC Liaison Report

- (1) Review of draft zoning regulations for smoke shops and short-term rentals
- B. Grant Opportunities

3) **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. Business Relations

- (1) Business Recognition event update
- (2) Lunch & Learn update (website session, chamber information, etc.)

B. Downtown Development & Parking

C. Marketing & Promotion

- (1) Website review

- (2) EDC newsletter (Business Recognition, 150th events, Greenway updates, Chamber happenings, CT Main Street events, New Businesses, Business Spotlight, etc.)

D. By-Laws

4) **ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Thomaston Greenway Committee
- B. 150th Anniversary Committee

5) **PUBLIC COMMENT**

6) **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Lissa Jennings, EDC Chair