

**Town of Thomaston Economic Development Commission (EDC)
Regular Meeting Agenda Hybrid and In-Person • April 13, 2026 • 7:00 PM
Town Hall • 158 Main Street • Meeting Room 1, 4th Floor**

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1) CALL TO ORDER

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. March 9, 2025 regular meeting

3) OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Subcommittee goals
 - (1) EDC bylaws
- B. Arts & Culture District
- C. Tour of Thomaston summer event

4) NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Election of Vice-Chair
- B. EDC Budget Review
- C. Available Property List review
- D. Connecticut Department of Housing – Roundtable discussion for the Draft State of CT 2026-2027 Annual Action Plan for Housing & Community Development; second annual implementation plan under the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan for Housing & Community Development (ConPlan).; Thursday, April 16th, 2026, 1pm, virtual.

5) STAFF REPORT

- A. Solar workshop
- B. UCONN Urban Agriculture project
- C. Naugatuck Valley Corridor Econ. Dev. District Strategic Advisory Board (NVC EDD SAB)
- D. AdvanceCT
- E. Grant Opportunities
- F. POCD implementation (EDC related)
- G. CT Main Street Assessment implementation

6) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Business Relations
 - (1) Lunch & Learn opportunities (CBIA presentation, town website, Chamber, etc.)
 - (2) CT Small Business Boost Fund

(3) Chamber Updates

- (a) **Morning Jolt – networking:** Tuesday, April 21; 8:00am-9:00am. Chamber Office.
- (b) **Chamber Tune-up:** Tuesday, April 28, 8:30-9:30am; Chamber Office, 440 North Main Street, Bristol. Learn how to maximize your membership.
- (c) **PYVOT & YP Collective Speed Networking Stop Light Party; networking for young professionals (ages 21-40):** Tuesday, April 28; 5:00-8:00pm. Multi Chamber collaboration. Homewood Suites by Hilton, 65 Glastonbury Blvd, Glastonbury. \$27.98
- (d) **Workforce Wednesday lunch & learn – How to Terminate the Right (Legal) Way:** Wednesday, April 29, 11:30am-1:00pm; Chamber Office, 440 North Main St., Bristol.
- (e) **PowHERful Connections: women’s networking.** Tuesday, May 12; 4:30-7:30pm. Effective Interviewing. Max Pizza IV, 454 Middle Street, Bristol, CT.
- (f) **Leadership Program:** 6 sessions start Monday, May 18; 8am-noon. Chamber Office.

(4) CT Main Street

(a) **Spotlight on Main: Wallingford:** Thursday, May 7; 3pm–6pm. Networking, Walking Tour, Reception; Wallingford Public Library, 200 North Main Street, Wallingford.

B. Downtown Development (parking)

C. Marketing & Promotion (was Video & Website)

(1) Website updates, postings

(2) EDC newsletter

5) ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Thomaston Greenway Committee

(1) April 11th Earth Day cleanup

B. 150th Anniversary Committee

6) ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

7) ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Lissa Jennings, EDC Chair