

Minutes for April 3, 2019 EDC Meeting
Submitted by Jim Welton

Called to order at 7:04

Present: Dennis Dressel, Jim Welton, Susie Collier, Brian Shaughnessy, Gary Giordano and BOS Liaison Linda Groppo

Absent excused Scott Thompson and Phil Allen

- Agenda was reviewed
- No minutes for meeting to approve
- Treasurer's Report: Jim reported there are still funds available for current fiscal year, which ends June 30. He commented that we really have to get our ship in order when approving spending with more detail needed and all expenditures needed in advance. The board should approve budgets well in advance in future.

New Business:

- Discussion on EDC and Laurel City Festival collaboration re Phil Allen letter to Brian and restaurants. Brian will have proposal for next meeting to discuss.
- Discussion on the need to have an EDC Facebook page. Meg from Creative Media should be able to provide as part of their proposal.
- Status of signed contract is not certain. We voted in last meeting to approve the funds. This should be signed at upcoming meeting.

Old Business:

- Much discussion of economic summit (need a new name). Dennis, Gary, Scott and Jim on committee and presented details so far.
Little Red Barn Brewery selected and agreed to be site.
Can have tent if needed
Need a creative name for the event
We agreed to provide a nice folio and pen – Gary agreed to look into it
Bob Geiger agreed to be speaker. Discussion on a potential moderator.
Budget is 5,000 for event, which includes drink, food, tent, promo items...
- Suzie brought up the potential need for diversity training for the board. She felt it was needed for the board and could have several benefits. This generated much discussion and will be examined in future when a proposal is brought forward.

Respectfully submitted J Welton
Meeting adjourned 7:55

