

SALISBURY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 15, 2025 – 9:00AM (HYBRID)

Present: Kitty Kiefer, Carol Sadlon, Alice Peck, Adam Higgins and Robert Schaufelberger.

1. Approval of Agenda. A **Motion to Approve the Agenda** was made by K. Kiefer with **All in Favor**.
2. Discuss /Approve Minutes of March 20 and April 17, 2025 – Tabled.
3. Addition to the Agenda. C. Sadlon asked to add discussion of the business survey; all were in favor. C. Sadlon would like to get input from the members and asked R. Schaufelberger how to format the information obtained. R. Schaufelberger suggested standardizing the questions and aggregating the responses. C. Sadlon wants to add businesses to the list to contact; A. Peck commented that some are not retail and to include other types of businesses. A. Higgins suggested providing names to contact. A. Peck will set up a Google Doc and Excel spreadsheet. A. Higgins will reach out to the Lime Rock Park marketing people.
4. A. K. Kiefer and R. Schaufelberger talked about EV charging developments in the Town. R. Schaufelberger described the location at the old train station building and mentioned that they may need to get approval from the SHDC; the building may be pushed back and the EV chargers moved. There was a brief discussion of ideas for possible uses of the building. The Board of Selectmen is the owner and will be the applicant for the Chargers.
B. Discussion of the Land Use office check list. The EDC will study it and see if they can be helpful and talk to people; it wouldn't be an edit, but they could be listed as an asset.
5. A. Short term rentals (STRs) / Air B&B issues / benefits and burdens
K. Kiefer talked about responses to an email request that she received from Kayla Johnson, Michael Klemens and Abby Conroy. K. Johnson responded that she collects data and assesses taxes on the list of STRs that she has. M. Klemens sent a long reply on the complexities of the issue. A. Conroy responded that there are no regulations or ordinances regarding STRs and that the existing ordinances need to be digitized. There was no response from Jocelyn Ayer yet. A. Higgins asked what the issue is; R. Schaufelberger commented that it removes housing stock the might be considered affordable; he added that neighbors don't like the noise, mess and the different people coming and going. K. Kiefer commented that it may be a permitting P&Z issue, an EDC matter. R. Schaufelberger asked what the ability is to enforce ordinances. K. Kiefer commented that digitizing the ordinances in the Town vault may be a project for Lorraine Cleaveland, including electronic forms and indexing Town documents, including ordinances.

Adjournment. So Moved by R. Schaufelberger, **With All in Favor**.