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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN**  
NEWTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

December 20, 2016, 7:30pm

Meeting Room 3, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT

Meeting called to order 7:05pm

Attendance: Michael Boyle, Robert Rau, William May, Dana Trado, Amelia Dent, Al Roznicki, Wes Thompson and Matthew Mihalcik

Public in attendance: David R Perkins

Approval of meeting minutes from November 15<sup>th</sup> 2016, there was 1 correction that Michael Boyle was not noted as being in attendance. Amy Dent made the motion to accept the minutes with the correction and William May seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

Committee Reports:

SHOP – Mike Boyle reported that SHOP wants to continue with Museums in the Street vs the sign Wayfinding. The cost of the program will be about \$14,000, there are some commitments but more than 50% still needs to be raised.

Deep Brook West (formerly Tech Park) – Bill May reported that with the changes of the layout we need approval from Army Corp of Engineers and George Benson is taking the lead on that project.

Commercial Realtors – Amy Dent reported that she has a meeting with a local architect to find out about a better way to advertise our properties. She also mentioned that developers and companies are more interested in a property if there is a water, sewer and fiber available to them.

Marketing/Email campaign – Dana reported that he is still compiling data to be able to communicate with local businesses. Dana is going to follow up with George Benson on the social media and Constant Contact account that was running before Betsy resigned.

Business Incentive – Wes reported that the town attorney is reviewing the language for the modification to Mesa Construction for the tax abatement to pass to the owners of the commercial condominiums.

Open EDC seat – There was discussion about the candidates that have applied for the open seat. Mike Boyle made the motion to select Carmer H Owen II to fill the vacant position on the EDC. Dana Trado seconded the motion. Motion Passed with all in favor.

Bill May made a motion to adjourn and Al Roznicki seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Matthew Mihalcik