



Town of Richmond, Rhode Island

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Economic Development Commission

AGENDA – Tuesday May 10, 2016

8:00-10:00am

Richmond Town Hall

- A. Call to order
- B. Minutes of April 12th 2016 meeting.
- C. Old Business: Refresh
 - I. Richmond EDC Community Marketplace
 - a. Email update from Meredith Westner.
 - b. Letter from Karen Ellsworth.
 - c. No insurance or budget reallocation
 - d. SCGA vacancy.
 - II. Commerce RI Grant – \$3000. Update from Karen Pinch (email).
 - III. Richmond Commons and real estate investment information guidelines and process.
- D. New Business
 - I. Richmond New Business welcome packet.
 - i. Suggestions on items to include in package.
 - II. Richmond EDC new logo.
 - i. How best to get a new logo including business community?
 - III. Identify known vacant commercial properties – list.
 - IV. EDC Budget – budget sheet.
 - V. Golf area support and marketing campaign?
 - i. Outline and define support and marketing plan promoting Richmond’s golf industry.
 - ii. Assign an EDC liaison for golf businesses.

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- VI. Richmond EDC - new slogan ideas- for proposal to Town Council
 - “Lets Play A-Round in Richmond”
 - “Gateway to RI”
 - Others?

 - VII. Possible enterprise zone program for new business’s relocating to Richmond –potential tax incentives, other incentives.
 - i. Identify existing tax programs for new business
 - ii. Outline information for website and information flyer.
 - iii. Home Charter and Comprehensive Plan.

 - VIII. Schedule first Richmond EDC Business Owner Consortium
 - i. Outline agenda for consortium
 - 1. Purpose of Consortium is to hear what business owners need and expect form local government.
 - 2. Provide information to state programs i.e. Commerce RI, etc.
 - 3. Offer survey card
 - 4. Sign form to be added to online directory on future EDC website.
 - 5. Use current business registration forms for contact list.

 - IX. Website and marketing.
 - i. Directory – business registrants.
 - ii. Suggestions for content/design. – ARCGIS and mapgeo.com

 - X. Walgreens building ideas.
 - i. Suggested business use (community office, medical park, daycare, sporting goods)
 - ii. Best suited real estate brokers for best use.

 - XI. Change Meeting day to second Wednesday of every month.
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- E. Schedule next meeting
 - F. Open forum
 - G. Adjourn