

Old Colony Economic Development District
Comprehensive Economic Development
Strategy Committee
Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2016
12:00 P.M.
Old Colony Planning Council
70 School Street
Brockton, MA 02301

Attendees

Mary Waldron, Chairman
Pamela McCarthy
Larry Cameron
Jessica Casey
Chris Cooney
Sheila Sullivan-Jardim

Diana Jennings
Stacey Kaminsky
John Murray
Frank Lynam
Nam Pham
State Rep. Michelle DuBois
State Rep. Gerald Cassidy
Bridget Plouffe
Pasquale Ciaramella
Eric Arbeene
Bruce Hughes
Jimmy Pereira
James Watson

Affiliation

Bridgewater State University.
Town of Stoughton
MassDevelopment
Town of Plymouth EDF
Metro South Chamber of Commerce
Brockton Area Workforce
Investment Board
Bridgewater State University
Connect Partnership
CareerWorks
Town of Whitman
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MA House of Representatives
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CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS: Chairman Mary Waldron called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Members were asked to introduce themselves.

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 6, 2016 MEETING: Pam McCarthy moved to accept the minutes of the June 6, 2016 meeting as written, seconded by Diana Jennings. So voted.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Presentation on the 2016 Massachusetts Economic Development Bill, State Representatives Michelle DuBois, Gerard Cassidy, Mass Office of Business Development (MOBD) Mr. Nam Pham, Assistant Secretary, Business Development, and Mr. Larry Cameron, Mass Development: Representatives DuBois, Cassidy, Assistant Secretary Pham and Larry Cameron updated the committee on the new Massachusetts Economic Development Bill.

NEW BUSINESS:

University Center: Mary Waldron said Bridgewater State has applied to US EDA to be a University Center in partnership with OCPC, SRPEDD, the Cape Cod Commission and BAWIB.

Community Compacts: OCPC Executive Director Pat Ciaramella said the state is taking applications for communities to become community compact communities

Efficiency and Regionalism Grant: Pat Ciaramella said the state is taking applications for this grant beginning October 17. Applications must be received by November 15.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Massachusetts Economic Development Council Fall Conference: October 28, 2016, Gardner Police HQ, 200 Main St., Gardner, MA 01440 “Urban Renewal-From Ingredients to the Final Product

Citizen Planner Training Collaborative (CPTC) Fall 2016 Workshops: CPTC will have 24 classes for citizen planners across the state this fall including classes at OCPC on October 26 and November 15. For more info and to register on line go to www.masscptc.org

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Hughes

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Next meeting: Monday, November 7, 2016 at noon.