EDAC Minutes September 14, 2026

Whitcomb Hall - Swanzey

Meeting to order by Sly Karasinski at 5:08pm, with H. Greg Johnson, JR Coughlin, Angelo Skip DiBernardo, Hannah Maynard, and Assistant Town Planner Stephon Mehu in attendance. Chair Cathy Bergstrom was absent. Jessica Sanchez joined the meeting at 5:15.

Minutes of the EDAC meeting August 10th were approved unanimously on motion by DiBernardo, seconded by Coughlin.

New Business were updates from Mehu on MEDC Grow America, CPACER/RPACER, Alotek Condominium Project next to new Fire Station. Discussion of Data Centers, Tire Warehouse property, West Swanzey Water and Sewer projects and funding. Public/Private partnerships, such as bottled water sales, could help with funding issues.

Welcome Bags and apprenticeship program discussions were deferred until the Chair was in attendance.

Discussion of Annual Report, Brochures, and Fact Sheets to help assist business owners with permitting process. Promoting Local Businesses, and marketing through pamphlets at Inns and Hotels.

Exposure and marketing local businesses at events and gatherings ie. Frog Brewery, Fairgrounds, Rail Trails, Old Home Day, etc. Sponsoring new events like movie nights, spring fling, fermentation/canning festivals, etc. to showcase local features/businesses.

Johnson proposed restoring the $10K to the EDAC Budget, all were supportive.

Other Business included the SWRP Swanzey Ordinance Audit September 17th at Whitcomb Hall with the Planning Board, ZBA, Conservation Commission, Energy Committee, and EDAC.

Next Meeting: October 12th

Adjourned at 6:49pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Sly Karasinski