



Whitingham Economic Development Group **Minutes of Thursday, October 1, 2026**

Attendees: EDG Members: BR Delaney and James Weber. Others: Gig Zboray, Selectboard Office Administrator.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:30pm.

Annual reorganization, nominate Chair, Vice Chair, Clerk:

Two of the three official EDG members were present, they were uncomfortable filling these important roles at this time. It is more important to determine what the mission/vision/goal of EDG will be and to determine when future meetings will be held, hopefully recruiting other members.

Future of EDG:

A suggestion for EDG was to match up local businesses with school student interns.

Create a mission statement, goal or vision – to be worked on via email over the next month with final decision (hopefully) made at next meeting.

New members: can be anyone who has a vested interest in the town, they do not have to be business owners.

BR questioned VT Community Development Association – Gig has heard of it, not sure if it is still active. BR says their website is not very clear.

BR noted that the state's website for the Scenic VT Route 100 Byway does not list Whitingham. Gig will look into that.

BR questioned if we can hang banners across Route 112 or 100. Gig said no. Wilmington does it, why can't we? Gig will look into it.

Discussion ensued around the Home Town Hero banners, they are great. Are they staying up all year – James will talk to Greg Brown about that. Initially the plan was that they would be up Memorial Day through Columbus Day. BR suggested putting other banners up in the winter similar to Wilmington's "Where Vermonting Begins".

Next meeting: Depending on Emily's availability the plan is to meet the first Thursday of every month at 6:30pm.

Meeting ended at 5:30pm.

Action items: recruit members, redesign EDG logo, work on vision/mission statement and goals.

Respectfully submitted, ~Gig Zboray