



MINUTES
WATERFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
December 9, 2025
WATERFORD TOWN HALL
5:00 PM

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WATERFORD, CT

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Michael Buscetto and James Nicholas (Call In)
MEMBERS ABSENT: Edward Lusher and Kathleen Mullen-Kohl
ALTERNATES PRESENT: Scott Gladstone (Call In)
ALTERNATES ABSENT: Julie Lawrence
STAFF PRESENT: Mark Wujtewicz, Planner, Interim Planning Director
 Katrina Kotfer, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER/APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

Chairman Buscetto called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. S. Gladstone was seated for K. Mullen-Kohl.

2. APPROVAL OF THE November 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Motion made J. Nicholas, seconded by S. Gladstone, to approve the November 10, 2025 minutes.

VOTE: 3-0

3. NEW BUSINESS

Draft FY 2027 Budget

M. Wujtewicz reviewed the draft budget with the Commission, noting there was a modest .2% increase proposed. Commission members had a lengthy discussion on increasing the Professional Fees line item to add a dedicated staff person to support existing businesses and to attract new economic development in Town.

MOTION: Motion made S. Gladstone, seconded by M. Buscetto, to approve the draft FY2027 draft budget with the increase to the Professional Fees line item by \$75,000.

VOTE: 2-1 (J. Nicholas voted against.)

Draft 2026 Meeting Schedule

The Commission discussed the draft meeting schedule. M. Wujtewicz noted that the current meeting nights conflict with other scheduled meetings.

MOTION: Motion made M. Buscetto, seconded by S. Gladstone, to move meetings to the second Wednesday of the month.

VOTE: 3-0

Waterford Promotional Video

No discussion occurred.

Mall Tenant Relocation Assistance

No discussion occurred.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**
Vacant Retail Space Inventory
No discussion occurred.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**
MOTION: Motion made by M. Buscetto, seconded by J. Nicholas, to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m.
VOTE: 3-0

Respectively submitted,



Katrina Kotfer
Recording Secretary