



Town of Wallingford
Economic Development Commission
45 South Main Street, Room 311
Wallingford, CT 06492

Economic Development Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2026

Present:

Anthony Bracale, Chair
Frank Apuzzo, Vice Chair
Carl Casper, Commissioner
Gary Gonzalez, Commissioner
Austin McAnneny, Commissioner
John Bau, Alternate
Susan Gomes, Alternate

Absent

Rob Fritz, Commissioner
Nick Lombardi, Commissioner
Amy Souchuns, Alternate

Others Present:

Don Crouch, Economic Development Specialist
Stacie McCarthy, EDC Secretary

(Chairman Bracale arrived at 5:43PM)

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bracale called the regular meeting of the Economic Development Commission to order at 5:43 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Chair Bracale led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Consent Agenda:**
 - Commissioner Casper made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.
4. **Items removed from Consent:** None
5. **Nomination and Election of Officers:**
 - Commissioner Bau made a motion for Chairman Bracale and Vice Chairman Apuzzo to retain the officer positions. Commissioner McAnneny seconded the motion. Motion for Chairman Bracale and Vice Chairman Apuzzo to retain their officer positions was unanimously approved.
6. **Reports:**
 - a. **Committee Reports:**
 - Retention and Marketing Committee**
No update; other than Commissioner McAnneny mentioned the 55 Kondracki Lane developers will present to the Town Council in the near future.

Planning and Zoning Committee

No update.

Housing/Workforce Development/Education Committee

No update.

Manufacturing Business Roundtables

Chairman Bracale noted that he has drafted letters to invite businesses to participate in a roundtable. Chairman Bracale plans to review the letters, as well as other details, with Mr. Crouch in the near future.

(Vice Chair Apuzzo arrived at 5:53PM)

b. Economic Development Specialist / Staff Report

Mr. Crouch provided updates in his Staff Report. He noted that he, Mayor Cervoni and Town Planner Kevin Pagini recently met with Data Center Developers on a project update. He also noted that Mayor Cervoni, along with other Town Staff met with the new owners of Campus at Greenhill and that they anticipate closing mid-January 2026.

c. Chairman Report

No update.

7. Old Business:

- a. **Update on Historic Railroad Station** – No update from staff; however the group discussed the overall benefits of adding new commercial businesses to town. The group agreed that the Train Station needs to remain a top priority for the town and suggested there may be an opportunity to discuss with the new Town Council.
- b. **Update on Tracy** – No Update
- c. **Update on Enforcement Ordinance** – No update.
- d. **Customer Relationship Management (CRM) –**
 - **Commissioner Casper made a motion to transfer \$5,500 from Promotional Expenses to Operating Expenses for the purchase of a customer relationship management (CRM) service. Commissioner McAnneny seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.**

8. New Business:

Chairman Bracale attended the POCD Kickoff Public Meeting on December 11, 2025. He noted that the meeting was well attended and found the public engagement very beneficial. He will continue to provide updates to the commission during the process.

Mr. Crouch noted that it is anticipated that there will be a POCD focus group which will include EDC, Wallingford Center Inc., Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce as well as Choate. Details will be shared as available.

9. Commission Around Town

No update.

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96 **There being no further business, Commissioner Apuzzo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at**
97 **6:26 p.m.; Commissioner Bau seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**
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99 Sincerely,
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101 *Stacie McCarthy*

102 Stacie McCarthy, Secretary
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