



TOWN OF NORTON

Industrial Development Commision

(Committee)

MINUTES

Date: ___May 26, 2011_____ Time: _5:30 PM___

Location: ___Town Hall Meeting Room_____

Members & Staff Present: M. Steele, R. Salvo, R. Rich, R. Rich III, T. Beauchene, M. Yunits
(Manager)___

Members Not Present: ___M. Dennett_____

The meeting was called to order at: ___5:35 PM_____

Minutes from the ___April 28, 2011_____ Meeting were reviewed and Approved with ___no_
adjustments.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Finalize the mission:

The final draft of the mission was presented for approval by the full membership. No comment.
Approved 5-0

Membership:

Discussion centered on expanding membership. Note that currently William Lippincott is attending meetings as a no-voting attendee, pending approval from his firm, Merrill Lynch, to join the IDC. A motion was made by Beauchene and seconded by Steele to remove M. Dennett from the commission based on his record of attending one meeting in approximately 18 months.
Approved 5-0

Prospective Project:

Crown Uniform has expressed interest in coming to town in a site next to Horizon Beverage. The site owners and developers, Condyne, have expressed a concern that without special dispensation on Norton's sewer tap-in fee of \$35/gallon, the project is uneconomical. Note that Crown is a private company that provides uniform and linen service and estimates water usage 'in' at 100,000 gallons a day and 'out' at 80,000 gallons a day. According to Condyne, Norton's tap-in fee would result in a \$3,500,000 fee simply for the right to tap-in. They have characterized this as highly uncompetitive and would prohibit the project from moving forward.

The commission would like to determine what the tap-in fee is in other towns/water districts to determine the appropriate course of action in seeking a special dispensation or adjustment of the tap-in fee for this project in light of the potential tax revenues that Crown Uniform would represent. It was agreed in general discussion that in light of the family owned privately held nature of Crown Uniform and the combination of prospective excise and real estate tax that would also accrue to the town, that Crown Uniform, while smaller in scope, was a similar situation to Horizon Beverage and a desirable firm to advocate for.

Next step: Each member was to poll 1-2 communities for to establish a price comparison for a basis of future discussion and action.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- **Mission Statement**
- **Agenda**

Meeting was adjourned at ____6:40PM____until the next meeting on Thursday, ____June 30, 2011____at ____TBD____ at the____Town Hall meeting room____.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes Approved by Committee on: _____
(Date)

Signatures:

(Name & Title)

Chairman, _____
(committee)