

## **TOWN OF NORTON**

\_\_\_Industrial Development Commission\_\_\_\_

## **MINUTES**

| Date:June 30, 2011 Time: _6:00 PM<br>Location:Town Hall Meeting Room  |
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| Members & Staff Present: M. Steele, R. Salvo, R. Rich, T. Beauchene   |
| Members Not Present: R. Rich III  |
| Guests: Luke Grant, Norton Water and Sewer Board; William Lippincott, resident and prospective member; Peter Ward, resident and prospective member.   |
| The meeting was called to order at:6:05 PM  |
| Minutes from the _May 26, 2011 Meeting were reviewed and Approved withno_ adjustments.  |
| Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:  Water and Sewer Fees:  A general discussion regarding a comparison of water and sewer fees led to a more specific topic of 'tap- in' fees. The discussion was in the context of a prospective company, Crown Uniform and Linen that wishes to build a 110,000 s.f. facility in the Norton Commerce Center and that estimates their use at 100,000 gallons a day and discharge at 80,000 gallons of grey water per day. A list of comparative fees from other cities, towns and districts had been compiled by Condyne was presented. That was supplemented by an observation from Rich that Taunton was \$17,500 maximum and from Beauchene who reported that Bristol, RI charges no more than \$20,000. The highest town outside of Norton was the city of Fall River, who charges an estimated \$500,000 fee for an 8" pipe. By contrast, Norton charges \$35 per estimated gallon used, or in this case \$3,500,000.  To universal agreement, Salvo noted that he believed that Norton needs to do a better job of being 'competitive' in order to compete effectively in attracting desirable business and industry, particularly Crown Uniform. |
| Luke Grant of the Water and Sewer Board was receptive to this information and noted that he would try to get the topic on the agenda of their 7/11 meeting and that the IDC was welcome to attend.  List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:  • Summary of fee schedules  • Back up data to support that data  • Agenda  |
| Meeting was adjourned at 6:30PM_until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, August, 28, 2011atTBD at theTown Hall meeting room  |
| Respectfully submitted, Minutes Approved by Committee on:   |
| Signatures: Chairman,   |