

ENFIELD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026 – 5:30 PM
ENFIELD TOWN HALL – THOMPSONVILLE
ROOM 820 ENFIELD STREET - ENFIELD, CT

A. Call to Order

Chair Turner called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

B. Roll Call

Present were Mary Ann Turner, Linda DeGray, Gretchen Pfeifer-Hall (arrived at 6:15), Maya Nicole Matthews, Rich Stroiney, and Stephen Ragnuth. Also present was Director of Economic and Community Development Aaron Marcavitch and Recording Secretary, Rebecca Jones.

C. Approval of Minutes

a. January 7, 2026

Motion to approve January 7, 2026, meeting minutes made by Commissioner Stroiney; seconded by Commissioner Matthews and approved unanimously.

b. January 15, 2026

Motion to approve January 15, 2026, meeting minutes made by Commissioner DeGray; seconded by Commissioner Matthews and approved by a 4-0-1 vote. Commissioner Stroiney abstained due to absence.

D. Report from Economic & Community Development Office

a. Business Roundtable (February 5)

The Business Roundtable will be held on February 5th at 5:30pm. Twenty-five people have signed up so far. He reviewed the talking points for the meeting.

b. Grants/RFPs

The Town is working on a \$4 million dollar planning request to the Department of Transportation related to traffic improvements to the Elm Street area. This was previously discussed in a traffic study presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission in 2022. Streetscape RFPs are due within the next few weeks.

c. New Businesses & Developments

Mr. Marcavitch detailed his recent visit to the Martin-Brower facility. He has also met with the owners at Conval and plans to meet with Aerobond within the next month as they have just completed significant building upgrades.

E. Liaison Reports

a. Town Council

Commissioner Matthews had no report.

b. Planning & Zoning

Commissioner DeGray discussed the new apartment complex that is being proposed at the former Nathan Hale School.

c. Conservation Commission

Commissioner Pfeifer-Hall had not yet arrived and no report was shared.

d. Agriculture Commission

Commissioner Pfeifer-Hall had not yet arrived and no report was shared.

F. Old Business

a. Bylaw Revisions/Ordinance Revisions (membership)

Mr. Marcavitch stated that Section 3.2 of the bylaws will be revised to ensure that the language remains consistent between the chart and the ordinance. Commissioners discussed the quorum requirements if they must have thirteen members. Chair Turner requested Mr. Marcavitch check in with the Town Attorney regarding the Town Ordinance.

b. Development of a Restaurant Week

The commissioners reviewed an edited draft of the Enfield Restaurant Week Program Rules and Participation Guidelines. They agreed to only offer participation to brick and mortar restaurants and discussed if take-out only restaurants should be included.

Commissioner Matthews left at 5:57pm.

The commissioners discussed a logo and Commissioner Stroiney recommended creating digital marketing products. The participation fee was discussed as were potential yard signs for participating businesses. Registration will likely open by July 2026. The commissioners directed Mr. Marcavitch to make contact with the Health Department to ensure all participating restaurants are in compliance with their regulations.

Commissioner Pfeifer-Hall arrived at 6:15pm.

c. Development of a Small Business Passport

Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (referred to as CCM hereafter) has offered support to create materials for this initiative. Chair Turner recommended that Mr. Marcavitch remain the contact person for CCM. Mr. Marcavitch reviewed his outstanding questions including logistics of retrieving and returning passports. The commissioners discussed providing participating businesses with a stamp. Residents must make a purchase in order to receive their stamp. There will be no participation fee. Mr. Marcavitch will contact the Assessor's Office for a list of businesses registered in Enfield. They discussed prizes for participants.

Commissioner Pfeifer-Hall left at 6:50pm.

G. Items for Discussion

a. Annual Report

This item will be discussed at the March meeting.

b. Joint Meeting with Town Council

This item will be discussed at the March meeting.

H. New Business

None.

I. Public Comment

None.

J. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Prepared by: Rebecca Jones