Cornwall Economic Development Commission

**Mission**

To create, develop and maintain a healthy and viable business climate, locale and heritage in Cornwall CT. To promote tolerance and acceptance of economic diversity and the right/need to work in Cornwall CT.

Regular Cornwall Economic Development Commission Meeting

Time: January 23, 2024 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) at the Cornwall Library, or by Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83409088270?pwd=skgCsNEmmsbbfwkzTeajOEV8zM8XOc.1>

Meeting ID: 834 0908 8270

Passcode: 725477

1. Call the meeting to order.

2. Approve minutes from the meeting of December 19, 2023

**Communications**

None

**Presentations**

Rista Malanca, Director of Community & Economic Development, Northwest Hills Council of Governments

**Unfinished Business**

Select new Secretary

Identify candidates to fill vacancy on EDC

**New Business**

1. Report on EDC Roundtable meeting to be held at offices of Chimney Rock Construction on Thursday, February 1 at 9.00 AM (Mare)
2. Report by Treasurer; identification of future spending (Gary)
3. Proposed Spring Music Festival in West Cornwall (Chris)
4. Campaign Cornwall ( Mare)Follow-up to last month’s presentation on role of Cornwall P & Z (Oscar)
5. Report on Annual Report to the Planning Commission (Simon)
6. Create email list for EDC members and social media platforms (Neil)
7. Treasurer’s report and request for Town funds for fiscal 2025 (Simon/Gary)
8. Establish goals for 2024 (all)
9. Request for funding for 2025 from Town (Gary/Simon)

**Report of Selectmen**

Gordon Ridgway

**Goals for 2023 (to be updated for 2024)**

1. Continue to support the Buy/Hire Local initiative; consistent outreach to Cornwall business community
2. Work more closely with Cornwall agricultural sector.
3. Develop Spring and Summer Events, including music events.
4. Improve wi-fi
5. Support BOS in attracting new businesses/residents to Cornwall; monitor and build on our media activities and metrics
6. Represent Cornwall at regional/state meetings.

**We are always looking for current ideas! Please share any thoughts on new businesses, new opportunities, etc.**

**Announcements**

Next meeting is on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 7:30pm in the Cornwall Library, and by Zoom

Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, except in case of conflict with holidays.

**Adjournment**