

# Town of Marlborough



Economic Development Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
September 17, 2026, 7:00 PM  
Marlborough Town Hall

## 1. Call to Order & Roll Call/Designation of Alternates

Mark Paul called the meeting to order at 7:08PM

Attending the meeting and seated were Mark Paul (Chair), Jillian LaCaresse (VC), and Benjamin Maynard, Jeremy Vigneault via zoom.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

***Jillian LaCaresse made a motion to approve the minutes of April 16, 2026 with the change noted below. Mark Paul seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed.***

***Item 4b from April 16, 2026 minutes: It should*** read “The old Marlborough Plastics building is reported to be converted to residential property”

## 3. Additions to the Agenda - none

## 4. New Business

### a) Local business changes – openings, closing, updates

- Glastonbury Guage has moved into the building previously occupied by Schneider Electric.
- eV Café construction is still in process.
- Aspire Living & Learning opened at 5 South Main St.
- Solar Farm on Rt 66 just west of Rt 2 located behind what was The Commons is about done with phase 1 construction and a phase 2 is planned for the area closer to Rt 66 and it is expected the old buildings will be removed.
- Self-Storage facility is also just west of Rt 2 under construction.
- Pieper Olson veterinarian site on Rt 66 east of the center is under construction.

- b) Open discussion on 2026 goals of EDC to make positive impact to Town businesses and residents.

Mark Paul briefly discussed this topic and is looking for ideas going forward to expanding the role of EDC.

Jillian LaCaresse thought that posting an article in the River East about new businesses and changes would be beneficial.

## 5. Unfinished Business

- a) Town Center Properties – Updates- See Section 4a

- b) Sustainable CT status

- A new compactor for the Transfer Station has been received and planned to be ready for service on Saturday, September 19, 2026.

- c) America 250 Anniversary Committee Events/Activities:

The events held over the summer were well attended and successful.

The July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration at the park was a special event. Special thanks go to the many sponsors, vendors, food trucks, and especially Village Green and Marlborough Bakery for providing pizza and food for the event.

Marlborough Day held on August 23<sup>rd</sup> was also a success and again well supported by local businesses and food trucks.

Some key upcoming events were noted:

- A Fife & Drum Muster and parade will be held on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM.
- 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of American Beer, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM at the library
- The Senior Center will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This special event will take place on September 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:00PM and will feature the Silk City Jazz Band.
- There is a town wide Tag Sale occurring on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Congregational Church is planning an “All American Music Festival” for November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

- d) 2027 EDC Meeting Schedule

The proposed schedule was reviewed and a motion followed.

***Jillian LaCaresse made a motion to accept the proposed 2027 meeting schedule. Mark Paul seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed***

6. New Actions or considerations for future meetings

None

7. Public Comments /Communications

None

8. Agree to next meeting date and location – October 15, 2026,  
7:00PM at the Town Hall.

9. Adjournment

***Jillian LaCaresse made a motion to adjourn at 7:28PM. Mark Paul seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed.***

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Carter, Board Clerk