

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
NEW HAMPSHIRE - CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL

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New Hampshire Canadian Trade Council Regular Meeting  
Feb 12, 2024  
Meeting Minutes

Called to order by Chairperson Rep. Janet Wall at 2:00 PM

Attendance:

**Secretary of State** David M. Scanlan

**Senators:** Howard Pearl, Keith Murphy, Vice Chair Donna Soucy

**Representatives:** Chair Janet Wall, Representatives Benjamin Baroody, Tim McGough, Linda DiSilvestro, Linda Massimilla, Arnold Davis

**Department of Business and Economic Affairs:** Benoit LaMontagne

**Private Sector:**

BJ Perry - Absent

Timothy T. Egan

Laurence Gagnon, Chief of Staff of the Quebec Consulate

Erica Canales, Lancaster – Coos Economic Development

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- 1.) Meeting called to order at 2:08 pm
- 2.) Erica Canales, Lancaster – Coos Economic Development Corp – reports the CEDC has been granted \$8k to help fund the Fall 2023 trip, but now some of those funds can now be used to support Council activities since that event has passed. This money is available until June 2025 and is limited to being spent in 6 counties of the North Country economically distressed area.
- 3.) Rep McGough reported on proposed agenda and activities for Manchester Fall event 10/16-18
- 4.) Scheduled for 10/16-18 the event to include Economic Forum and lunch at Manchester Millyard Museum, business visit to ARMI/United Therapeutics, Lung Bioengineering, Merrimack Outlet shopping trip, housing at Residence Inn
- 5.) The Council then voted to move the entire event to the North Country.
- 6.) Benoit LaMontagne, NH full time employee of the NH Dept. Of Business and Economic Affairs to take over organization of the Fall Summit event and the event has been moved to North Country

- 7.) Report from Rep Massimilla indicated that the previously discussed April event has fallen apart due to lack of organization, time, funding, and volunteer resources.
- 8.) Previous meeting minutes were authorized and accepted. Motion made to accept by Sen Soucy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rep Shurtleff, attendance record corrected to indicate Real Gilbert was in attendance, and corrected to indicate Rep Wall Chair, not Vice Chair of last meeting.
- 9.) Rep. Linda showed samples of tote bags. Qty 100 10 oz. Natural cotton, printed, \$5.82 each
- 10.) Requesting more volunteers for upcoming meeting planning.

Moved to adjourn by Secretary Scanlan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rep Wall. Meeting Adjourned at approximately 3:14

pm Next meeting 3/18/24 2pm, Location TBD