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Town of East Haven, CT
Economic Development Commission
Special Meeting
Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT
June 9, 2022
Meeting 7:00 PM

Present: Jamie Cuticello, Director of Economic Development, Commissioner John Tarducci, Commissioner Lorrie Maiorano, Commissioner Mohan Chugani

Also Present: Steve DeLucia

1. Call meeting to order

Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm, by clerk, Tina Hedley.

2. Pledge of allegiance

3. Approval of past meeting minutes (May 12, 2022)

Commissioner John Tarducci made a motion to approve the minutes from last months meeting, May12, 2022, Commissioner Lorrie Maiorano 2nd the motion. None opposed, no abstentions, Motion carries.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence.

5. Discuss vacant board position and possible action

Jamie Director of Economic Development, discussed the process of appointing a commissioner, the open commissioner seat needs to be appointed by the Mayor, Jamie will have a conversation with the Mayor to get this process started. It was discussed the proper way of the commission needing to be a balance of party affiliations.

6. Clerk opening

Economic Director discussed that Tina Hedley is a temporary clerk for the board and a clerk will need to be obtained and voted upon for the next meeting. Discussions were had between all present commissioners of what the process should be, that we bring any potential interested clerks to the next meeting to discuss the available clerking position, and what the clerking position would detail. Jamie Cuticello recommends meeting the interested clerks. Jamie Cuticello stated he will do the research, check charter, and make a recommendation of how to move forward for the commission and be in touch.

Regarding the action of appointing a new clerk, Commissioner Lorrie Maiorano made a motion to table agenda item number 6, Clerk Opening, Commissioner John Tarducci 2nd the motion, None opposed, no abstentions, Motion carries.

7. Public Comment

Steve DeLucia was recognized as the attendee in the audience and asked if he had any public comment. Steve DeLucia didn't have any public comment at the moment, Steve did mention that he understands "Public Comment" questions cannot be answered by the commission if a question is asked, so he will reach out to Jamie or the commission regarding any topics he would like to have conversation about.

8. Other Business to come before the committee

Commissioner John Tarducci gave an update on Taco Bell, Inland Wetland and Zoning, Taco Bell now awaiting state approval due to the location being a state road due to encroachment. This business is expected to open in the fall.

Commissioner Lorrie Maiorano mentioned that we should do ribbon cutting ceremony. The Chamber of Commerce would like to collaborate on ribbon cuttings in the future. Commissioner Tarducci mentioned that maybe we can check in with Zoning Officer, Joe Budrow, to see what new businesses are opening for possible ribbon cutting ceremonies as well.

Commissioner Mohan Chugani asked the exact location of the taco bell and Commission Tarducci let him know its Frontage Road.

Jamie Cuticello discussed how he wants to bring someone in to future Economic Development meetings, guest speakers, to speak at our meetings, Jamie discussed the website and what our plans are for the website, we will spend more time updating the website so it's more user friendly and informational. Jamie Cuticello discussed what changes Tina Hedley has made to the website.

Commissioner John Tarducci recommended a link to yelp link for the website and other ideas that were previously discussed. Jamie Cuticello, we are a characteristic town, I want to build that up on the website. Jamie also mentioned that he had some cups and shirts made, for Economic Development.

9. Adjournment

Commissioner Lorrie Maiorano made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner John Tarducci 2^{nd} None opposed, no abstentions, Motion carries.

Meeting Adjourned at, 7:22PM.

Submitted by:

Temporary Clerk

