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Economic Development Commission Minutes
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PRESENT: Robert Limoncelli, Chairman
Magdalen Sparaco
Joe Fasone
Jerome Pacelli

STAFF: Paul Hongo-Director

ABSENT: Frank Alvarado

PUBLIC: Jason Bagley, EH Patch
Ed Foley, ETV
Vin Camera
Jim Dougherty, Chairman, TC

Chairman Limoncelli called the Meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION made by Commissioner Sparaco and seconded by Commissioner Pacelli to approve the minutes of the October 25th Meeting that were distributed by e-mail. All were in favor, none were opposed and none abstained. **MOTION CARRIED**

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Hongo stated that he had nothing new to report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Fasone stated that there was a new tenant for the property on Main Street (Formerly Past Thymes). Town Councilman Vincent Camera stated that Long's Florist had recently closed its doors. A discussion was held with regard to that property, which as of now is still privately owned and it is uncertain what the owner will do with the property. Chairman Limoncelli stated he would get in touch with the owner to speak to him about his intentions regarding the property.

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Chairman Limoncelli and the commission members had a lengthy discussion regarding the questionnaire that had been discussed for current businesses. After going over the questionnaire as presented, as well as the cover letter written by Chairman Limoncelli, it was determined that the final questionnaire as well as the cover letter with the proposed changes be drawn up and brought back to the commission to be voted upon and put in place by the end of the year to mail out to businesses in January. Final drafts will be brought forth next meeting.

Town Council Chairman Jim Dougherty stated that maybe the commission should open up the responses to email as well as regular mail and fax, as there are many businesses that would be more inclined to send the survey back electronically rather than through regular mail.

Town Councilman Vincent Camera suggested putting the information on the local access television channel so that businesses can be made aware that the survey will be going out to them. Discussed again was a possible ad in the local paper for businesses to come to East Haven and make it their home.

Chairman Limoncelli thanked everyone for their input and for attending the meeting this evening.

There being no further business to come before the agency, a motion to adjourn was made at 7:40 p.m. by Commissioner Pacelli and seconded by Commissioner Fasone. All were in favor, none opposed, and none abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda S. LaLuna
Clerk