

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

Monday, July 26, 2021

Regular Meeting- 7:00 P.M.

Town Hall 2nd Floor Meeting Room and Via Zoom

Minutes

Present: Kay Willson, Brian Corvo, Ryan Baldassario (left at 7:17 P.M.), Brandon Goff, and William DeMore (joined at 7:06 P.M.) with Town Manager Dave Cox.

Absent: Virginia Yenker

Call to Order: Chairman Corvo called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Adoption of the Agenda: *A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Willson, to adopt the agenda with no changes. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Approval of Minutes: *A motion was made by Ms. Willson, seconded by Mr. Baldassario, to approve of the June 28, 2021 regular meeting minutes with the change of Ms. to Mr. for Mr. Goff under the motion for the minutes and the capitalize Gong Bell under the Town Staff Report. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Nomination and Selection of Chairperson: There were no nominations for a new chairperson. It was decided to leave Mr. Corvo as the Chairperson for the next term.

Public Comment: None

Town Staff Reports: The town received 5 responses to the RFQ for the water system for town. Out of the five responses, three have been selected to be interviewed by the Town Council. The TC members will make a decision from the interview by the next meeting. The Land Use department is moving ahead with the bike and pedestrian interconnectivity plan for the Village Center and the Airline Trail. The town staff are working on gaining access to 13 Summit to get a look at the building before sending the engineers and others inside to start the project. 13 Summit is not town owned yet, but it's being investigated.

Continued Business

- a. **Discussion of 1 Watrous Street:** The RFP is sitting with other items being dealt with. The members and town are looking to get some proposals in for the property to reuse or redevelop the building and land.
- b. **Discussion of 13 Watrous Street/ DECD STEAP Grant:** DEEP & DPH will be sampling water at 17 Watrous and a couple other wells in the area. The members are zeroed in on the last steps of closing out the grant and repurposing the property to help the Village Center. It was suggested that it might be best to make the land into a parking

lot so that any small amounts of contaminants that may be left over could be covered up with asphalt. The PFAS testing in the area is still on-going.

- c. **Discussion of 3 Walnut Avenue:** There were no new updates for this item.

Outreach to other Agencies etc

- a. **Presentation to Economic Development:** Chairperson Corvo presented to the EDC at their recent meeting. The message was well received by the commission. The members would look for a coherent plan for the Village Center and to move forward with developing more properties for useful spots within the Village Center. The members of the EDC has a vision for reuse that is ambitious for the use of the properties. This vision could work and would be something the commission should explore. The availability of water in the Village Center would help to achieve the ideas for the redevelopment of the properties. It was suggested that the commission drafts a docia or a biography and a simplified explanation of the work performed for each property the commission rehabilitated and remediated.

New Business: The commission is at the end of the STEAP grant. The members asked when and how to apply for the next STEAP grant. It was suggested to look into the next project and what the project would entail for the commission. There could be remediation, redevelopment, or historical preservation grants out to investigate. The members would have to decide which type of grant would work best for their next project in the town. It was advised that the current STEAP grant needs to be closed out before trying to obtain a new STEAP grant.

Adjournment: *A motion was made by Ms. Willson, seconded by Mr. Goff, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 P.M. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk