

Town of East Hampton
Economic Development Commission
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

6:30 P.M.

East Hampton Town Hall

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Ted Turner, Tim Csere, Robin Letourneau, and Walt Jedziniak.

Absent: Erin Hall.

Call to Order: Chairman Turner called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Approval of Minutes:

- a) *A motion was made by Mr. Csere, seconded by Mr. Jedziniak, to approve the October 15, 2019 regular meeting minutes with no changes. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

- a) **Business Package Promotion & Tourism:** The members discussed what should be in the pamphlet and how to go about creating the pamphlet. It was suggested to combine retail and services to declutter the categories. The members also decided there will be a map of the town to show as a reference. The categories were reviewed and revised by the members assigned to each. Each business entry should have the name, address, number, and website if there is one for the business. It was suggested to have a bell icon next to the Village Center businesses and to have the Business of the Month businesses added in the pamphlet as well. There should also be some historic sites, monuments, and pictures added to give the pamphlet more history, authenticity, and originality for the town. A list of the registered businesses within the town was provided by the Town Registrar's office. The list will be reviewed and some businesses from that list will be added to the pamphlet. The members should have their sections revised and completed to send out by the next meeting. The tentative print date for the pamphlet would be February 1st.
- b) **New Business Updates/ New Businesses with Planning and Zoning Approval/ Review of P&Z Minutes:** The members reviewed the planning and zoning minutes provided with the meeting packets.
- c) **New Business Banner Location:** The banner is going to Edward Jones next.
- d) **Belltown Spotlight on Business:** *A motion was made by Ms. Letourneau, seconded by Mr. Csere, to nominate Black Goose Chimney Sweep as Business of the Month for December. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

A motion was made by Mr. Csere, seconded by Ms. Letourneau, to nominate Palmer Eye Care Center as Business of the Month for January. Voted 4-0 in favor.

- e) **Town Beautification:** The Boy Scouts were going to take the project of fixing the welcome signs coming into town. But they were stopped by the state since they're not allowed to work on the side of a state highway or route. The Boy Scout troop tried to contact state to get themselves cleared to proceed with the project, but they were denied. It was suggested to see if a local landscaper would want to take on the project in exchange to advertise their local business.

New Business:

- a) **Approval of 2020 Meeting Date:** *A motion was made by Mr. Csere, seconded by Mr. Jedziniak, to approve of the 2020 meeting dates. Vote 4-0 in favor.*

Town Manager's Report: There are 3 candidates for the empty positions for the EDC commission. There are two proposals for bringing water to the town, but the funds from the state aren't ready yet. The progress for this project is slow, but small steps are being taken. The funds for the signage for the village center is being figured out. *A motion was made by Mr. Csere, seconded by Ms. Letourneau, to authorize 3 signs for the village center at \$200 a sign, but not to exceed \$600 for the whole cost. Voted 4-0 in favor.* The phase 1 of evaluation of 1 Watrous is underway. And the 13 Watrous remediation project is starting soon. The completion of the project would be by the end of December.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: *A motion was made by Ms. Letourneau, seconded by Mr. Csere, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Voted 4-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk