TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
Brownfields Redevelopment Agency
Regular Meeting
Monday, July 25, 2022
6:30 PM
Town Hall 2nd Floor Meeting Room #201 and via Zoom

Minutes

Present: Chairman Brian Corvo, Ryan Baldassario (arrived 6:33 P.M.), Darlene Raffanello, Kay Willson, Virginia Yenkner, and Victoria Man with Town Manager David Cox.

Absent: William DeMore

Call to Order: Chairman Corvo called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. virtual meeting via Zoom.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Ms. Raffanello, seconded by Ms. Man, to adopt the agenda as submitted. Voted 5-0 in favor.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Ms. Raffanello, seconded by Ms. Yenkner, to approve the May 23, 2022 regular meeting and July 7, 2022 special meeting minutes with no changes. Voted 5-0 in favor.

Election of Chairperson: A motion was made by Ms. Man, seconded by Ms. Willson, to nominate Mr. Baldassario as Chairman for the agency. Voted 5-0-1 with Mr. Baldassario abstaining.

Public Comment: None

Town Staff Reports: There are 3-4 interested developers in a couple Brownfields sites. The CRCOG offers a developers loan funded by the EPA that would interest potential developers and buyers.

Grant Application: Files from the members were uploaded onto the OneDrive shared by the members for drafting the grant application. There are materials for items 1-4 and section 2 may need some revisions. The members discussed some environmental justice communities near some property sites in town. There are PFAS and solvent contamination on some property sites that should be brought forward. There are some contaminated private wells and ground water that would need testing for PFAS. A meeting between Mr. Baldassario, Ms. Man, and Nafelli Bomposti will be held tomorrow to discuss next steps and what avenue to take. The members discussed what questions need to be asked to Ms. Bomposti. After the meeting there will be a clear path forward for the grant and what the members need to do to finish the application. The members discussed applying for a request for assistance from TAB for their fall program. It was decided that Mr. DeMore, Ms. Raffanello, and Ms. Willson will work on the review and
cohesive side of the report for the grant application. A site re-use assessment could be included in what the commission is seeking for the fall program. The assessments are done during a phase 4 for a project site. The members discussed the timeline for the grant application process; stating that the draft should be finished by the end of summer. Revisions and re-writes would need to be completed before sending out to apply for the grants. STEAP will probably announce their grants close to September. It was suggested that the members use Sharepoint more than personal emails to send information and rough drafts for the grant application. Another suggestion was for the members to use track changes when revising drafts and documents in Sharepoint.

**New Business:** The members discussed applying to two other grants with the application and report that is being drafted. The more grants applied for the better the chances of being awarded a grant for the projects. One grant discussed was with DECD and the other is with CRCOG. The CRCOG has grants available with funding that is provided by the EPA. Once the grant list is released the members will know which grants can be applied for with the reports and application being drafted. There is an upcoming meeting for FOIA training on August 8th and the members discussed having one to two members attend the training.

**Communications on Grant Work/ Applications Etc.:** Covered in item 7.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Ms. Yenkner, seconded by Ms. Willson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 P.M. Voted 6-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk