

Town of East Hampton
Town Council Public Hearing
Tuesday, June 27, 2017
East Hampton Middle School Library

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Chairperson Patience Anderson, Vice Chairperson Ted Hintz, Council Members Melissa Engel and Mark Philhower, and Town Manager Michael Maniscalco

Not Present: Councilor Members Kevin Reich, Josh Piteo and Pete Brown

Call to Order

Chairperson Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. in the Middle School Library

Public Hearing on an Ordinance to Ban Fracking waste in East Hampton

No members of the public spoke.

A motion was made by Councilor Philhower, seconded by Councilor Engel, to close the public hearing on an ordinance to ban fracking waste in East Hampton at 6:18 P.M.. Voted (4-0)

Public Hearing on Epoch Arts Application for a Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit

Deb Robinson, 39 Jacobson Farm Road, spoke in support of the Neighborhood Assistance Act for Epoch Arts to renovate the third floor to a maker space called the Otter's Nest. She stated that once the municipal liaison is established, they will not be the only entity eligible in the Town.

John Schroth, Epoch's Makerspace Director, spoke in support of approval of the project and stated that the space is for inventing, creating, fabricating, working on art and other shared uses. The grant helps with energy efficiency which is desperately needed.

Linda Schroth, 47 Spellman Point Road, Chair of the Board at Epoch spoke in support of the Neighborhood Assistance Act. She noted that the money has been put aside by the State already, and there is no guarantee it will be there in 2018. She explained how the business tax credit match works and stressed that the energy efficiency projects are essential for them.

Amanda Morris, teacher at Epoch Arts, wanted the Council to understand what a special place Epoch is. She stated it makes a difference to a lot of kids in town and hopes that they will approve the application for the grant.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Hintz, seconded by Councilor Engel, to close the public hearing on the Epoch Arts Application at 6:30 P.M. Voted (4-0)

Adjournment

Chairperson Anderson adjourned the public hearing at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza LoPresti
Recording Secretary