

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT**

**July 23, 2018**

**Minutes**

A meeting of the East Granby Economic Development Commission was held on July 23, 2018. Members present when Secretary Gary Vick called the meeting to order at 7:11p.m.were Bill Evans, Oliver Davis, David Iannucci, and Gary Vick. Paul Thulen, Paul Oliva, Wynter Griffing, John Burda, and Paul Holjes was absent.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Oliver Davis and seconded by Bill Evans to approve the minutes of June 25, 2018. Votes in favor of the minutes were unanimous. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC AND/OR APPLICANT**

None in attendance

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- EDC Minutes for June 25, 2018
- EDC Report for July

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

Director of Community Development Gary M. Haynes presented the following activity from the July 2018 Economic Development Report:

**A. Pending Projects**

8 Russell Rd-Karen Gaston has applied to PZC to adopt a regulation change to allow for Medical Marijuana Dispensary and Production Facilities. The application was denied by 3 votes in favor and 2 against at the June 12<sup>th</sup> PZC meeting. The applicant is going to reapply to have the full board of 6 members vote. The Public Hearing will be in August 14<sup>th</sup>.

103 Hartford Ave-Brignole Vineyards has applied for revised site plan to create additional parking and a regulation change to amend the winery regulations. The Public Hearing will be held on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Projects Under Construction**

133 Hartford Ave-Ted Brown has taken out building permit for tenant fitout to change 900 sq ft of storage space into a heated workshop.

16 International Dr-Solar City has taken out building permit for tenant fitout to create training area.

10 East St-Meadow Shoppes has taken out building permit for tenant fitout to finish off three vacant tenant spaces of approximately 6k sq ft to better attract tenants to lease vacant spaces.

7 Airport Park Rd- Taken out building permit for small tenant fitout

181 Rainbow Rd-Tookout demolition permit to take down the Hamilton Rec Facilities

**C. Recently Completed Projects**

66 Floydville-Michael Termitehas taken out building permit for tenant fitout to finish 500 sq ft

#### **D. On-Going Business Locations**

MB Aerospace-is submitting pre application for Bradley Development Zone for recent addition

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

##### **A. Bradley Development League**

Director of Community Development gave update that the BDL Ops Committee and the Board are in process of prioritizing and recommendation in the BDL Target Analysis. Planning on presenting strategy to the BDL Board in September and decide on the next steps to take.

##### **B. Lets Talk Turkey Article Highlighting: Small Business**

Director of Community Development is looking for volunteers to write an article highlighting a small business in Town in upcoming LTT News Letter. Could be new business in Town. David Iannucci suggested Snelgroves would be a good idea as they existing business but offer new service as they are now serving ice cream.

##### **C. Lets Talk Turkey Article Highlighting: Manufacturing Company**

John Burda has agreed to write a article highlighting a Manufacturing Company. Bill Evans talked to MB Aerospace and came up with some historical information that can be used for the potential first article. The Director of Community of Development will forward the background info to John Burda so he can develop a draft article.

##### **D. Manufacturer Workshop**

Gary Haynes, Bill Evans and Paul Olivia had a conference call with the new Economic Development Coordinator to discuss putting a program together for the Manufacturer Workshop in mid to late October. This will be a joint effort between the Towns of Suffield and East Granby. We are looking into possibility of hosting the meeting at the New England Air Museum. It was discussed about keeping the meeting to approximately an hour and a half with either breakfast or lunch being served at either the beginning or end of the meeting. Panel participants could include Manufacturers, Eversource, Asnuntuck, and someone from ACM trade association.

##### **F. Available Properties: Sites and Buildings**

Oliver Davis and Paul Thulen got together to discuss project which includes contacting broker and property owners with available sites or buildings. Oliver and Paul came up with draft questions to ask the broker/property owners. These questions include info on the site, market perceptions, best use of the property, etc. Director of Community Development revised presented script and passed out hard copies to the commission.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Oliver Davis and seconded by Gary Vick to adjourn the meeting at 8:07m. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary M. Haynes  
Director of Community Development