

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT
November 26, 2018
Minutes**

A meeting of the East Granby Economic Development Commission was held on November 26, 2018. Members present when Chairman Gary Vick called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.were Bill Evans, Oliver Davis, David Iannucci, and John Burda. Gary Vick and Wynter Griffing were absent.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Oliver Davis and seconded by Paul Olivai to approve the minutes of October 22, 2018. Votes in favor of the minutes were unanimous. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC AND/OR APPLICANT

None in attendance

COMMUNICATIONS

- EDC Minutes for October 22, 2018
- EDC Report for November

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

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

A. Pending Projects

8 Russell Rd-Karen Gaston Special Exception was approved to locate a Medical Marijuana Dispensary at 38 Russell Rd. Application was approved at the November PZC Meeting.

103 Hartford Ave-Brignole Vineyards has applied for revised site plan to create additional parking and a regulation change to amend the winery regulations. PZC approved the regulation change at the November PZC Meeting.

17 Kripes Rd-Blind Faith Brewery has applied for regulation change to allow for brewery in the Commerce Park A zone. PZC approved the regulation change at the November PZC Meeting.

B. Projects Under Construction

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

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.

D. On-Going Business Locations

MB Aerospace-has received pre approval for Bradley Development Zone tax abatement. Emailed the final application to Michael Greenwald the new general manager.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. 2019 Meeting Dates

A motion to approve the 2019 meeting dates as presented was made by Paul Olivia and seconded by Bill Evans. Votes in favor of the meeting dates were unanimous. Motion carried.

B. Membership

Director of Community Development Gary Haynes reminded everyone we have two vacancies currently on the commission. Will repost article in January Lets Talk Turkey Issue.

C. Let's Talk Turkey Articles

John Burda is still working on preparing an article for upcoming Let's Talk Turkey to discuss local manufacturer and small businesses. Director of Community Development explained as they are doing business visitations we are getting contact info for people to talk to about putting a small article together to describe their company and what they do.

Commission discussed the idea of utilizing social media such as twitter and facebook to do business announcements, openings, visits, articles, etc.

D. Manufacturer Workshop

Director of Community Development Gary Haynes passed out summary of the Manufacturer Workshop and discussed the event with the commission.

E. Business Visitations

Director of Community Development Gary Haynes gave brief description of recent business visitation and tours that have been conducted since the last EDC Meeting. First Selectmen Jim Hayden, Director of Development Gary Haynes, Economic Development Coordinator Kevin Bielmeier, EDC Chairman Paul Oliva, and EDC Member Bill Evans have toured 9 companies to date.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Oliver Davis and seconded by Bill Evans to adjourn the meeting at 8:15m. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary M. Haynes
Director of Community Development