ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT March 25, 2024, Meeting Minutes

A hybrid meeting of the East Granby Economic Development Commission was held on Monday, March 25, 2024. Members present were Chairman David J Iannucci, Paul Thulen, Peter Ritter, Tom Lally and Kerry Flaherty (arrived at 5:38 pm). Robin Newton & Dan Barrett via Zoom.

Meeting called to order at 5:31 pm

MINUTES

February 26, 2024 minutes were approved.

DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC AND/OR APPLICANT: none

COMMUNICATIONS

EDC Meeting Minutes for February 2024 Economic Development Report March 2024

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Robin Newton shared March 2024 report

PENDING PROJECTS

- LOTCIP Grant- finalized, waiting on CONN DOT final approval, this is the last step prior to design..
- CT Connectivity Grant- The Town submitted a Connectivity Grant for the installation of sidewalks within the Town Civic Campus and along Route 20 and Route 187 adjacent to the Civic Campus. We have received the funding and recently put out an RFP for design services. The town hired B&B Engineering to develop construction design.
- PZC Application #24-02-Rainbow Development, LLC requested a text amendment to section V.D.2.f of the East Granby Zoning Regulations to allow for Drive Thru establishments Type A & B in the Commerce Park Transition zone was denied.

DISCUSSIONS

- Paul Thulen discussed the use of some property left over behind Liquor Cabinet area
- Chairman Iannucci questioned Signs Plus project, will get update from Mark in the Building Dept for next meeting
- School Street project ~ will be restructuring entrance and installing sidewalks;
- Silverman project, 95% done, meeting with engineer, re: sewers, special activities requiring special permits

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OTHER BUSINESS

- EG Farmer's Market update, committee met and will move forward with same location. Adding a month, August and September, expanded spaces to 24 and kid's activity area. Food trucks (4), Lion's Club and Frank's Food Truck, still looking for 2 others. Market will be held on Fridays from 2:30-6:30pm.
- Chairman Iannucci requested that Paul or Tom revise article for Talk Turkey with new updates. Tom will take care of that.
- Welcome Peter Ritter as a member now.
- Kerry Flaherty, as Fire Chief, had discussions with Robin Newton regarding Joneser Express and municipal water system. Paul will take care of letter to Selectman's office to address this situation.
- Discussion about PZC Application #24-02-Rainbow Development, LLC the drive thru text amendment denial in Commerce Park Transition area.
- More discussions on bringing new businesses to town and making it favorable for businesses to develop in East Granby.
- Tom Lally questioned a Right of Way from School Street project directly to High School/Middle School. Robin discussed town would like to see a path, but no plans as of yet as wetlands may be impacted.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Kerry Flaherty and seconded by Paul Thulen to adjourn the meeting at 6:23pm. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Leadbeater Building & Land Use Administrative assistant