ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT February 27, 2017 Minutes

A meeting of the East Granby Economic Development Commission was held on February 27, 2017. Members present when Chairman Paul Oliva called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.were John Ziobro, Oliver Davis, Paul Thulen, and Lee Sandora. Gary Vick, Paul Holjes and Dreux Namnoum were absent.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Paul Oliva and seconded by Paul Thulen to approve the minutes of January 23, 2017. Votes in favor of the minutes were unanimous. Motion carried. John Ziobro abstained.

DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC AND/OR APPLICANT

None in attendance

COMMUNICATIONS

- EDC Minutes for January 23, 2017
- EDC Report for February

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Director of Community Development Gary M. Haynes presented the following activity from the February 2017 Economic Development Report:

A. Pending Projects

<u>Mike Latonie/Pride Gas Station</u>-Have submitted for regulation change to allow for gas station/convenience store in a Commerce Park A zone. Public Hearing is scheduled for 3/14/17

<u>Brignole Vineyards</u>-103 Hartford Ave have submitted for regulation change to modify hours of operation for private functions on New Year's Eve to stay open until 1AM on New Year's Day.

<u>3 Creamery Brook</u>-Have submitted wetland application and site plan application to IWC and PZC for the March meetings to construct an approximate 7k sq ft office building in an upland review area.

B. Projects Under Construction

- 10 Airport Park Rd- Coorstek has taken out building permit for 11,025 sq ft addition
- <u>54 Floydville Rd</u>- Paines has taken out building permit for outbuilding to construct enclosure to dumpster area per DEEP revised permit
- 39 Bradley Park Rd-MB Aerospace has taken out permit for 4,350 sq feet of new office and reconstruction of all interior office space of approximately 6,000 sq ft

15 International Drive-Joining Technologies has taken out building permit for tenant fitout for 20k sq ft of office/manufacturing space

<u>16 International Drive</u>-Novitex has taken out building permit for tenant fitout for 14k sq ft of warehouse space

C. Recently Completed Projects

99 Rainbow Rd LLC-99 Rainbow Rd, taken out tenant fitout for 3,125 sq ft of office space

<u>20 Bradley Park Rd</u>- Rockbestos has taken out building permit to install 25ft x 32ft storage building to store maintenance vehicles

D. On-Going Business Locations

<u>Joining Technologies</u>-Looking to lease 20k sq ft at 15 International Dr, Have received preapproval from DECD on BDZ

<u>Coorstek</u>-DECD has given pre-approval for BDZ incentive for the 11k sq ft addition at 10 Airport Park Rd has not received approval yet.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. Bradley Development League

BDL is proposing doing a NY City site selector visit to discuss the potential development areas in and around the airport. Economic Development incentives, the airport, etc. Norwegian Air has added flights to Scotland Edinburgh starting June as well as flights to San Francisco.

B. Marketing Material

The commission discussed Paul Thulen marketing flyer. The hope is to develop 1 to 2 page flyer to use at trade show and mailings to potential companies looking to locate in the Town of East Granby. The text is pretty much finalized. Paul Thulen requested the commission to take a final look and have final comments back to him prior to next EDC meeting. Mr. Haynes agreed to look for appropriate graphics and charts to potential add visual interest.

C. Vacant Parcels/Available Buildings

Director of Community Development gave commission spreadsheets detailing vacant parcels and available buildings. The commission went through the list and discussed prioritizing properties and discussed similarities to see if grouping the properties made sense when considering meeting with property owners to discuss the Town future plans and the property owner's plans with their land. Properties around the airport were given the highest priority and grouped into one of three categories: Commerce Park Transitional, Village Center, and Other. The Director of Community Development will rework list for next meeting for further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Ziobro and seconded by Paul Thulen to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Gary M. Haynes Director of Community Development