



## **Town of Cromwell Economic Development**

***REGULAR MEETING  
6:30 PM WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2023  
ROOM 222 CROMWELL TOWN HALL 41 WEST STREET***

### **Minutes and Record of Votes**

Present: Chairman Richard Nobile, Vice Chairman Jay Polke, Marilyn Teitelbaum-Dworkin, Paul Warena, Robert Donohue

Absent: Chris Cambareri

Also Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper, Town Council Liaison Al Waters, Town Council member Paula Luna

#### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by Chairman Nobile.

#### **2. Roll Call/Seating of Alternates**

The presence of the above members was noted.

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#### **3. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Robert Donohue and seconded by Marilyn Teitelbaum-Dworkin to approve the agenda with the addition of adding item 6a. approval of the 2024 meeting calendar. All were in favor; the motion passed.

#### **4. Public Comments**

Diane Wiegert said she applied to become a member of the Redevelopment Agency and/or the Economic Development Commission. She said I am happy to answer any questions you may have. Ms. Wiegert also said that she saw in the CT Mirror that a new Connecticut Economic Development Chief was assigned and wondered if this Commission should meet with him. Mr. Popper said that new Chief does not usually meet with local commissions.

#### **5. Director of Planning and Development Report**

Mr. Popper said, I have EDC business cards if anyone wants some. Mr. Popper reviewed his memo dated November 8, 2023. He discussed new developments and new businesses that have opened. Ms. Teitelbaum-Dworkin said that she went to the new Float Spa on Shunpike Road and it's amazing. She said that the owner gave great compliments to the Town of Cromwell staff. Mr. Popper reviewed the applications pending before the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Town Council member Al Waters said that he, Mayor Demetriades and Chairman Nobile will meet over the next few weeks to discuss the Economic Development Commission. Chairman Nobile said the Mayor said his comments about the EDC were not meant to be derogatory but they were just ideas. Chairman Nobile said we are a hard-working commission.

**6. New Business:**

- a. Approval of the 2024 meeting calendar

A motion was made by Jay Polke and seconded by Paul Warendt to approve the 2024 meeting calendar as presented. All were in favor; the motion passed

**7. Chairman's Comments/Commissioners' Comments**

Mr. Nobile asked about the old Price Rite and Mr. Popper said the landlord is working on filling the space. Mr. Nobile asked about the land across from the Sunoco and Mr. Popper said it was still for sale. Mr. Popper said he did a survey of vacant parcels and they are basically all under contract with 2 realtors in the town. He said there are a couple of vacancies in the Cromwell Commons Plaza and we will see how the old Lord Cromwell/Radison/Red Lion development impacts that plaza.

Mr. Warendt asked if the old gas station on lower Main Street was going to be demolished and Mr. Popper said not yet, the owner is still trying to figure out what to do with it.

Chairman Nobile said he is proud of this Commission and said we do a lot for the town. Chairman Nobile thanked Mr. Popper for his efforts and said his advice is well heeded. Mr. Popper said all of the town departments do a good job and are responsive to businesses. He said we treat people well.

**8. Communications:**

**9. Approval of Minutes:**

- a. October 18, 2023

A motion was made by Jay Polke and seconded by Paul Warendt to approve the minutes of October 18, 2023. All were in favor; and the motion passed.

**10. Good & Welfare**

**11. Adjourn**

A motion was made by Marilyn Teitelbaum-Dworkin and seconded by Paul Warena to adjourn at 7:06pm. All were in favor; the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linda Imme".

Linda Imme  
Recording Clerk