Town of Cromwell Economic Development Commission

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Regular Meeting 6:30pm Thursday, June 22, 2017 Room 224/5, Cromwell Town Hall Gloria Prendergast asst TOWN CLERK

Minutes and Record of Votes

Present:

Chairman Dick Nobile, Stanley Stachura, Robert Jahn, and Jay Polke.

Also Present:

Jennifer Donohue, Ann Halibozek, Paul Warenda of the Redevelopment Agency and Stuart Popper, Director of Planning and Development.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nobile at 6:35 pm. Chairman Nobile welcomed those members of the Redevelopment Agency present at the meeting.

2. Roll Call/Seating of Alternates

The presence of the above members was noted.

3. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Robert Jahn and seconded by Stan Stachura to approve the agenda. *All were in favor; the motion passed.*

- 4. Public Comments: None.
- 5. Director of Planning and Development & Compliance Officer Reports

Mr. Popper and the Commission members discussed a number of planning issues and enforcement issues. Mr. Popper and the Commission members discussed the current Economic Development Report dated June 7, 2017 and the status of various projects around town.

River Road

• I arranged and attended the meeting with the developer and the abutting property owners to discuss the possible acquisition of property on River Road at 11:30 am on Monday May 8, 2017.

Business Visitations

• We had a great business visitation at the newly renovated Autumn Lake Healthcare short term facility on Wednesday May 10, 2017 at 9:00 am.

Tax Abatement for 70 County Line Drive

• I worked with the business owner and prepared memos for the town staff and the Town Council on the proposed Tax Abatement for 70 County Line Drive. I presented the request for the tax abatement to the Town Council at their meeting on Wednesday May 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm

CERC Town Profile

• I researched and prepared economic and demographic information for the Connecticut Economic Resource Center (CERC) 2017 Cromwell Town Profile.

Economic Development Issues

• I researched and prepared a memo summarizing the municipal permit and development costs for a development at 120 County Line Drive.

Tank Farm Clean-Up Meeting

• I attended a meeting at DEEP offices in Hartford to discuss the environmental clean-up of the former tank farm on River Road at 10:00 am on Friday May 19, 2017.

Cromwell Landing Park Improvements

• The second project meeting was held at 2:30 pm on Friday May 19, 2017 with the staff from the consulting firm BSC and town staff.

Planning and Zoning Commission

The Planning and Zoning Commission at its meeting on May 16, 2017 approved:

- Application #17-14: Request for a Site Plan Modification to install new signs at Autumn Lake of Cromwell at 385 Main Street. Autumn Lake of Cromwell is the Applicant and Cromwell Realty LLC is the Owner.
- Application #17-16: Request to amend Section 3.5.C.4 of the Zoning Regulations to add a Pet day-care facility or pet boarding facility as a use requiring special permit approval in the Industrial Zone.

6. New Business:

Mr. Popper and the Commission members discussed the status of a number of properties in town.

a. Northern Tier STEAP Grant

7. Old Business:

Popper said we are going to move forward with plans to submit the 2017 STEAP Grant application for the improvements at the intersection at County Line Drive and Route 3.

- 8. Communications: (see attached P & Z minutes, Redevelopment Agency Minutes)
- 9. Chairman's Comments/Commissioners' Comments

10. Approval of Minutes

a. April 20, 2017

A motion was made by Stanley Stachura and seconded by Jay Polke to approve the minutes of April 20, 2017; All else were in favor; the motion passed.

11. Good and Welfare

The Commission members noted the presence of the Redevelopment Agency members and all agreed that joint meetings would be of benefit to all in the future.

12. Adjourn

A **motion** was made by Robert Jahn and **seconded** by Stanley Stachura to adjourn at 7:29 pm. *All were in favor; the motion passed.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Stuart B. Popper Director of Planning & Development

Temporary Recording Clerk