TOWN OF CROMWELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING 7:00 PM, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017 ARCH ROOM CROMWELL TOWN HALL 41 WEST STREET MINUTES AND RECORD OF VOTES

Present:

Robert Jahn, Stanley Stachura, Jay Polke, Joe Fazekas

Absent:

Richard Nobile

Also Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Jahn at 7 pm.

2. Roll Call / Seating Alternates.

The presence of the above members was noted.

3 Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Joe Fazekas; Seconded by Jay Polke. *All were in favor; the motion passed.*

4. Public Comments

NONE

5. Director of Planning and Development & Compliance Officer Reports:

Mr. Popper stated that Bruce Driska had been hired as the Zoning Enforcement Officer. He had previously worked as the Deputy Director of Planning in Middletown and was an experienced Zoning Enforcement and Wetlands Officer.

Mr. Popper mentioned the following recent approvals from the Planning and Zoning Commission: Nike Site, parking at Adelbrook, coffee shop at 6 Kirby Road, and parking of a commercial vehicle at 75 Field Road. He referred to his November 8, 2017 Report.

He continued by saying that the development of County Line Drive was moving forward despite the loss of the potential tenant. Scannell was still purchasing the land and planned to construct a 403,000 square foot building. They were obtaining the local permits so that they could move forward with the required state permits.

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Mr. Popper proposed that the next business visitations would be on December 13, 2017.

He said that two hotel developments were being discussed. They would be reviewing the zoning regulations regarding a possible change of the building heights allowed in commercial areas to 5 stories. The town was continuing its work at Cromwell Landing Park. A 40,000 square foot clubhouse was proposed at the TPC. ShopRite was still moving forward, albeit slowly, and would likely have its permits from OSTA in February. They were continuing to search for a national tenant. He ended by mentioning several businesses that had recently opened, as well as those that had closed.

6. New Business:

a. Approval of 2018 Meeting Calendar

Stan Stachura made a motion to approve the calendar; Seconded by Joe Fazekas. Vice Chairman Jahn asked what time the meetings would start. Stan Stachura said that the dates were different than the meeting dates for the Redevelopment Agency. He was concerned about only having special meetings, rather than regular meetings. Mr. Popper said that he would change them to follow the Redevelopment Agency schedule. Joe Fazekas made a motion to approve the amended calendar for meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 P.M., seconded by Stan Stachura. *All in favor; motion passed*.

7. Chairman's Comments/ Commissioner's Comments:

NONE

8. Communications: see attached P&Z Minutes

9. Approval of Minutes:

a. October 19, 2017: Stan Stachura made a motion to approve the minutes; Seconded by Joe Fazekas. *All in favor; motion passed*.

10. Good & Welfare:

NONE

11. Adjourn

Jay Polke made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Stan Stachura All were in favor; the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie C. Petrella Recording Clerk