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TOWN OF CROMWELL CF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

7:00 PM, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2018

ROOM 222, CROMWELL TOWN HALL 41 WEST STREET

MINUTES AND RECORD OF VOTES

Present:

Richard Nobile, Robert Jahn, Stanley Stachura, Jay Polke, Joe Fazekas

Absent:

Also Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper, Town Council Member Al Waters

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nobile at 7:15 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 Robert Jahn; 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 there had been a business visit to Mosiac and Molly Maids. He would be scheduling another business visitation for the following Wednesday and would notify the members of the schedule. Mr. Popper also reviewed recent activity by the Planning and Zoning Commission: that a new sign has been approved at the car wash on Berlin Road, the self service bays would be removed at the car wash on Shunpike Road, that an 11,000 square foot addition was approved for 11 Progress Drive, and that the 403,000 square foot warehouse on County Line Drive was moving forward, as well as the new clubhouse at the TPC, and the planned ShopRite at the former Kmart Plaza.

6. New Business:

Mr. Popper said that the previous years' budgets had included monies for the Cromwell Merchants Association, which was no longer necessary. He suggested that some of the remaining budget funds from this past year be used for a new booth banner for vinyl signs and pictures. There was some discussion regarding other expos that they could exhibit at and Mr. Popper said that he normally attended those held by the International Council of Shopping Centers. He would also stay associated with the Connecticut Economic Redevelopment Commission.

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

There was some discussion regarding ideas on how to revitalize downtown Main Street.

Bob Jahn requested that Mr. Popper include all of the Commission members in future business visitations. He also said that he felt that Mr. Popper should be involved in municipal development, and not just residential and commercial development. Mr. Popper said that he would participate if directed to do so by the Town Manager.

8. Communications: see attached P&Z Minutes

9. Approval of Minutes:

a. November 15, 2017: Jay Polke made a motion to approve the minutes; Seconded by Robert Jahn. *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 7:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

MM Ch

Julie C. Petrella Recording Clerk