

**TOWN OF CROMWELL
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
6:30 PM WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2019
ROOM 222, CROMWELL TOWN HALL, 41 WEST STREET
MINUTES AND RECORD OF VOTES**

Present: Tom Tokarz, Jennifer Donohue, Ann Halibozek, Paul Warena

Absent: Chairman Joe Fazekas

Also Present: Director of Planning and Development Stuart Popper, Robert Jahn, Town Council Liaison Myron Johnson, Jay Polke

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ann Halibozek at 6:33 p.m.

2. Roll Call

The presence of the above members was noted.

3. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Tom Tokarz; Seconded by Paul Warena.
All were in favor; the motion passed.

4. Public Comments

Myron Johnson made an inquiry regarding the town budget, specifically pertaining to the roadway study which spans from Main Street to River Road. Mr. Popper stated that this item is in the budget request. Mr. Johnson suggests the idea of drawing up of a map of the town revealing any properties available for possible redevelopment. There was also a brief discussion regarding the owners of the Tank Farm and the parcel on River Road.

Jay Polk arrived at 6:41.

5. Old Business

a. Cromwell Landing- Pier/Walkway: Mr. Popper said that there are endangered freshwater mussels on site which will be relocated prior to rebuilding the sea wall. The final project design will go under review in the next month, approximately. \$30,000 of budget monies have gone to design and environmental usage for DEEP; \$290,000 remain. Reconstruction of the sea wall represents the bulk of the project's cost. The plan is to use some of the existing stone on the property in part of the redesign of the sea wall

to defray costs. The project is awaiting final design and construction numbers. Bidding and work is to be done around August 2019, when the river is at its lowest. The entire design is to be handicap-accessible, and promises to be the only handicapped fishing pier on the river south of East Hartford. There was a brief discussion about the possibility of boats being permitted to dock at the new landing in the future. Mr. Popper advised that this action would require additional permits.

b. Tank Farm – Chevron Cleanup: The environmental company Arcadis has started with additional testing. The cleanup plan is to be finalized, and negotiations will be made with the property owner regarding the extent of the cleanup.

c. Access Rd to River Rd from 99: This project is part of the current budget. *See attached copy of Mr. Popper's report regarding new businesses opened and ongoing construction.*

6. New Business

The new building in construction at the TPC is slated to be completed before June 1, 2019.

Construction at the Shop Rite and Marshall's projects are both on track.

Covenant Village received approval to build a loop road which will eventually connect all around the property. Construction is scheduled to start in the spring.

Ann Halibozek revisited Myron Johnson's idea regarding a town map. Mr. Popper said he would add this it as an action item.

7. Approval of minutes:

a. January 16, 2019: Tom Tokarz made a motion to approve the meeting minutes; Paul Warenda seconded the motion. *All were in favor; the motion passed.*

8. Adjourn: Tom Tokarz made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Paul Warenda. *All were in favor; the motion passed.* The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recording Clerk