



Economic Development & Improvement Commission (EDIC)

Regular Meeting – Thursday June 9, 2016 – 12:00 Noon
Town Manager's Conference Room, First Floor, Town Hall
MINUTES

1. Call to order – The meeting was called to order at 12:01 PM
2. Attendance and Quorum (6 members required) – Mark Trahan, Dan Silver, Ken Lesser, Marco Pace, Judy Keane, Dorcas McHugh, John Adamian, Jeff Bridges – Town Manager and Peter Gillespie – Town Planner/Economic Development Manager.
3. Old Business -
 - a. Vacant Property Updates –Tour – Peter Gillespie discussed the challenges and opportunities with regards to the 7 sites visited by the Commissioners earlier that day.
 - b. Grant Project Status
 1. Heritage Walk – HFPG and CT Humanities – Peter Gillespie noted the success of the recent dedication held on May 28th.
 2. STEAP 2014 – 1000 Silas Deane Highway/Façade Funding – Nothing to report.
 - c. Façade Applications – The Finance Subcommittee will schedule a meeting to discuss pending façade applications.
4. New Business
 - a. Great Elm Initiative – A brief discussion ensued regarding this new initiative. Volunteers will be needed to organize this effort. The Marketing Subcommittee will meet to discuss the details of this project.
5. Other Business – There was no other business.
6. Reports

Town Manager's Report – Jeff Bridges noted that Derrick Gregor has started as the new Town Engineer and the status of the High School project.

Town Council Liaison's Report – No report was given.

Planning & Zoning Commission Liaison's Report – Dan Silver noted the recent Planning & Zoning Commission agenda items including the Cove Yacht Club and Ridge Road Apartment Project.

Tourism Commission Liaison's Report – Dorcas McHugh discussed the Hartford Belle Happy Hour Cruise.

Chamber of Commerce Liaison's Report – No report was given.
7. Chairman's Report – Mark Trahan
8. Sub-Committee Reports

Marketing and Communications – Nothing to report.

Financial Strategies – Nothing to report.
9. Minutes – May Meeting – Dan Silver made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Marco Pace seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
10. Next Meeting – Thursday July 14, 2016

11. Correspondence – There was no correspondence.
12. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 12:44 PM