



## Economic Development & Improvement Commission (EDIC)

Special Meeting – Thursday January 21, 2016 – 12:00 Noon  
Town Manager's Conference Room, First Floor, Town Hall  
AGENDA

1. Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM
2. Attendance and Quorum (6 members required) Chairman Mark Trahan, Vice-Chair Gioia Zack, Dan Silver, John Adamian, Judy Keane, Mirella D'Antonio, Parco Pace, Dorcas McHugh, Leslie Civitello - Chamber, Anthony Spinella - Town Council, Leigh Standish - Planning & Zoning Commission, Peter Gillespie - Director of Planning & Economic Development and Denise Bradley - Assistant Planner.
3. Old Business
  - a. Vacant Property Updates - Peter Gillespie reported on the following properties:
    - 1000 Silas Deane Highway
    - 1178 Silas Deane Highway
    - 295 Ridge Road - Application denied by the Planning & Zoning Commission. The applicant has filed a lawsuit.
    - 207 Church Street - Mixed use development approved by wetlands on January 20th. Should be on a Planning & Zoning agenda in the near future.
    - Jordan Lane - No specific proposal at this time.
    - 446 Silas Deane Highway - Facade approved by the Design Review Advisory Commission.
  - b. Grant Project Status
    1. Heritage Walk – HFPG and CT Humanities - Peter Gillespie noted that the Town had received a 6 month extension due to contractor delays.
    2. Church/Main Street Intersection - Peter Gillespie noted that the improvements are close to completion. The traffic movements seem to be working.
    3. STEAP 2014 – 1000 Silas Deane Highway/Façade Funding - Nothing additional to report.
    4. STEAP 2016 – Solomon Welles House Improvements - Peter Gillespie noted the submission of a new application for this project. This is the third time the Town has applied to the State for this work.
4. New Business
  - a. Welcome Wagon - Peter Gillespie noted that the packets are ready. Waiting for the calendar.
  - b. Town Guide and Calendar 2016 - The calendar should be delivered.
  - c. CIP 2016/2017 - Peter Gillespie noted that the CIP is soliciting requests for funding projects next year. A discussion ensued regarding the funding of streetlighting in Old Wethersfield, intersection beautification projects and updating the Strategic Plan.

- d. 2016 EDIC Initiatives - Mark Trahan discussed successful initiatives from 2015. A brief discussion ensued regarding new initiatives.

5. Other Business

6. Reports
- Town Manager's Report – No report was given.
  - Town Council Liaison's Report – Anthony Spinella - Discussed early budget negotiations.
  - Planning & Zoning Commission Liaison's Report – Leigh Standish discussed recent Planning & Zoning agenda items.
  - Tourism Commission Liaison's Report – Dorcas McHugh had no additional info to report.
  - Chamber of Commerce Liaison's Report –Leslie Civitello reported on the Annual State of the Town breakfast at 8 am on January 28th.

7. Chairman's Report – Mark Trahan

8. Sub-Committee Reports
- Marketing and Communications - No report was given.
  - Financial Strategies - No report was given.

9. Minutes – John Adamian made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mirella D'Antonio seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

10. Next Meeting – Thursday February 11, 2016

11. Correspondence

12. Adjournment - Dorcas McHugh made a motion to adjourn at 1:35 PM. Judy Keane seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Bradley, Assistant Planner