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'Virtual' Regular Meeting
Vernon Economic Development Commission
Tuesday, December 8th, 2020 at 7:30 AM

Shaun Gately
Economic Development Director

Zoom Meeting Information

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APPROVED MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order:** Vice Chairman William Breslau opened the 'virtual' meeting at 7:33 am. Commissioners present: Jim Sendrak, Jeff Adamson, Bruce Kloter, Jordan Coe, and Bruce Kellogg. Also present was George McGregor Town Planner, Shaun Gately, Economic Development Coordinator, and Leslie Campolongo, Project Coordinator, Recording Secretary.
- 2. Public Forum:** There were no members of the public present for the Public Forum.
- 3. Approval of Minutes - November 10, 2020:** Motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Sendrak and seconded by Commissioner Adamson. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Economic Development Status Update:** Mr. Gately provided and update on the following projects.
 - **Amerbelle Mill** - Redevelopment discussions continue.
 - **206 Talcottville Rd. (ProHealth)** - Buildout is underway.
 - **Former Golf Land** - Renovation is progressing.
 - **274 Talcottville Rd. (Square Peg Pizza)** - Planning Department is anticipating renovation plans shortly.
 - **Primitive Renditions** - Is expanding and changing locations to the Shoppes at 30 (Reins Plaza).
- 5. New Business:**
 - **Local Recovery and Reopening Advisory Committee update** – Mr. Gately provided and update on Town's actions. Commissioner Coe offered insight into pharmaceutical distribution of the COVID-19 vaccination. Discussion took place.
- 6. Old Business:**
 - **2022 POCD update** – Mr. McGregor provided an update on the initial phase of data gathering for the POCD revision. Discussion took place regarding the role of the Economic Development Commission and its representation in key areas of the plan. There will be POCD public workshop anticipated to be held the second week of January 2021. Mr. Gately will provide the Commission with the date of this meeting when finalized.

Commissioner Breslau discussed a recent change to the Town's aquifer map. Discussion took place. Commissioner Breslau recommended the Economic Development Commission write a letter to the Planning and Zoning Commission in favor of modifying the ordinance and regulations associated with the new mapping revisions. Motion made by Commissioner Adamson to write the letter. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sendrak. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kloter left the meeting at 8:03 am.

Commissioner Breslau discussed required number of Commissioners for membership and introducing new members to the Commission. Discussion took place. Commissioner Coe recommended contacting existing members who do not attend regularly, and also connecting with the local Chamber of Commerce's. Discussion took place. The next meeting is January 21, 2021.

7. **Ribbon Cuttings/Ground Breakings/New Businesses:** Mr. Gately provided an update on the most recent business activity.
 - **Your CBD Store** – Ribbon cutting was held on 11-19-20.
 - **Dental Arts of Vernon** – Ribbon cutting was held on 11-30-20.

8. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Adamson and seconded by Commissioner Sendrak. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 am.

Respectfully submitted:



Leslie S. Campolongo
Project Coordinator