

**Town of Putnam
Redevelopment Agency
Regular Meeting Agenda
Conference Room – 201
Tuesday, July 8, 2025, 8AM
Meeting Minutes**

PRESENT: L. Konicki, Chair; P. Grenier, Vice-Chair, Mike Bogdanski, Doug Taylor, Oliver Williamson, D. Fey

PRESENT: N. Seney, Jr., Mayor, M. A. Chinatti, ECD/Redevelopment. Director, B. Fitzback, Land Use Agent, J. Lefevre, Administrative Assistant

a.) Call to Order: **Called to order at 8AM by Chairman Konicki.**

b.) Approval of Meeting Minutes of the Previous Meeting/s*

i. Regular Meeting April 8, 2025*

(M/S/C Taylor/Bogdanski) to approve as presented. Carried unanimously.

c.) Communications: none

d.) Executive Session – Potential Property Purchase

(M/S/C Bogdanski/Fey) to go into Executive Session at 8:10AM w/members, Mayor Seney, M.A. Chinatti, B. Fitzback also attending.

e.) New Business:

i. Use of \$198,000 Redevelopment Agency Funds – Property Purchase and Removal of all Restrictions for Access to the Sewer Plant*

(M/S/C Taylor/Fey) approve use of \$198,000 of Redevelopment Agency funds for property purchase and removal of all restrictions for access to the Sewer Plant. Carried unanimously.

f.) Reports of Officers and Committee:

i. Blight Officer Report:

g.) Old Business: None

h.) Public Comments: None

i.) Other:

i. Director's Report: Director read through the report dated July1, 2025. Highlights of report were: 1) \$ 1,000,000 STEAP (Small Towns Economic Assistance Program) grant awarded for repairs to St. Marie Greenhalgh

Sports Complex; 2) Belding Brownfield finalizing contract docs; 3) CT DECD CIF 2030 \$ 250,000 Planning Grant Application submitted; Survey work for sidewalks connecting Grove St. to S. Main completed and forwarded to N.E.C.C. O.G's engineer for design; 4) Brownfield assessment grant funded work continues on the Foundry- 2 Furnace St. and 20 Mechanics St. ; 4) Japanese Lilac tree has been installed adjacent to August and March on Main St.; 5) Chair of Arts Council working with Sheila Frost to bring public art to Downtown; 6) Stairway connecting Canal St. to Main and S. Main Streets will be power washed in prep for repainting; 7) Town's consultant held kick off meeting June 11th for engineering and landscape design work at Union Square Courtyard- adjacent to 26-28 Union St.; 8) Arts Festival held June 21 and 22 was a successful event; 9) Owner of 76-80 Main St. and 88 Main St. is working on design plans to convert buildings into Putnam Public Market and Cargill Hotel; and 10) Putnam's CT Main Street Center Program Annual Assessment Program is scheduled for July 17th.

- j.) Adjournment: (**M/S/C Bogdanski/Taylor**) to adjourn at 8:38am. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Jackie Lefevre, ECD Administrative Assistant

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