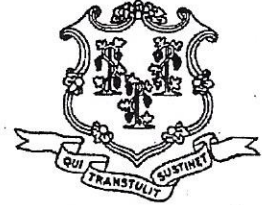




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**GRISWOLD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION & ROUND TABLE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 19, 2020
GRISWOLD TOWN HALL – FIRST FLOOR MEETING ROOM**

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chairman T. Giard asked all present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag.

I. REGULAR MEETING (7:00 P.M.)

1. Call to Order

Chairman T. Giard called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Thomas Giard, Vice Chairman James Barnie, Kenneth Bousquet, Charlotte Geer, Kenneth Bousquet, Paul Lach, First Selectmen Todd Babbitt and Recording Secretary Kate Lacasse

Interested People: 3

Absent: None

3. Determination of Quorum

Chairman T. Giard determined that a quorum of the Commission was seated.

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2020

- Chairman T. Giard asked if there were any corrections and/or omissions. Hearing none a motion was made.
- **MOTION:** J. Barnie made a motion, which was seconded by C. Geer, to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2019 Regular Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment

A. Guest Speaker Jim Dodd

J. Bruce Kater
2020 FEB 20 AM 11:39 art.

- First Selectmen T. Babbitt introduced graphic designer Jim Dodd.
- Jim Dodd stated he's working with the Town of Griswold to create a map of the town. The map will be unique to Griswold. The second side of the map will feature ads from local businesses. Business within town can purchase ad space for a small fee.
- First Selectmen T. Babbitt stated funding is in place for the first year.
- **MOTION:** J. Barnie made a motion, which was seconded by C. Geer to send a letter to the First Selectmen in support of the map design. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Guest Speaker William Cheng

- William Cheng of Fortune realty discussed a commercial realty meeting being held on March 3, 2020 at 8:30 A.M at the Griswold Town Hall First Floor Meeting Room.

6. Correspondence

7. Matters Presented for Consideration

A. J.R Flagg Route 164 – Update

- T. Giard stated Stadia Engineering has been contracted to design an onsite septic system. Once the plans are finalized construction of the sales center will begin.

B. Heritage River Village Project – Route 164 project update

- Chairman T. Giard stated the property owners will be discussing their new plans with the Town soon. The Town is preparing to design the infrastructure on 164 and will need Heritage River Village plans in order to do so.

C. Titan, LLC- Proposed 110 unit Assisted Living & Memory Care Facility 134 Preston Road (Rt. 164).

- Chairman T. Giard stated he has no new information regarding this topic.

D. Infrastructure on Route 164 – Update

- T. Babbitt stated its going to be 3-4 weeks before we have a decision from the U.S.D.A on the grant application that has been submitted. The application is looking favorable.
- Discussion ensued.

E. Green Earth – 235 East Main Street , PWC Site – Update

- T. Babbitt stated the property is in the final stages of DEEP approval.

8. Other Matters

A. Welcome to Griswold Sun Flower Signs

- The commission discussed the design options of the sign and pricing.
- T. Babbitt stated that if the EDC is looking for funding, a request would need to be submitted to the Selectmens soon.
- **MOTION:** J. Barnie made a motion, which was seconded by C. Geer to request \$3000.00 to fund the Welcome to Griswold Sunflower Sign Project. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Adjournment

Chairman T. Giard asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

- **MOTION:** C. Geer made a motion, which was seconded by P. Lach, to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 P. M. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Lacasse
Recording Secretary