

Economic Development Commission
Meeting Minutes of **April 10, 2018**

Attendance: Andre Benoit, Scott Blinkhorn, Marlene Cook, Neil Cook, Geoffrey Cooper, Ross Farrugia, Andrew Hadfield. **Absent:** Judy Andrade, Ulric Deojay, and James Filice.

Staff present – Russell Gray and Patricia Ball

Audience of Citizens: Steven Weidele.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geoffrey Cooper at 7:00 pm. As a courtesy to Mr. Weidele, Chairperson Cooper suggested we listen to his request before unfinished business. Mr. Weidele was present to request from the Economic Development Commission an extension for his restaurant build on property he and Raymond Weidele purchased in 2013. A. Hadfield made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia to ask the selectmen to call a town meeting for town approval to change the purchase agreement and deed to grant an eighteen month extension on the beginning build of the restaurant with an additional 6 months to continue if needed. All voted in favor of the motion.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: N. Cook made a motion, seconded by A. Benoit to accept as written the 8/8/2017 regular meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion. A. Benoit made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia to accept as written the 12/20/2017 special meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. 50 Main Street / Community Center: No new developments regarding the usage of the community center has been obtained. N. Cook, made a motion, seconded by A. Benoit, authorizing P. Ball to obtain the services of a real estate agent to list the property for sale. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. 91 Industrial Park Road a.k.a. Lot #6: N. Cook made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia, to table item 4b. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. Industrial Park Road North: No new information regarding Industrial Park Road North. N. Cook made a motion, seconded by A. Hadfield to remove from agenda. All voted in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Incubator Driveway Project: P. Ball informed the commission she will repost the bid in the Norwich Bulletin as no bids were received when originally posted in October 2017.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by N. Cook, seconded by A. Benoit to adjourn at 7:40 pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Submitted by,

Patricia Ball, Economic Development Coordinator