

Economic Development Commission  
Meeting Minutes of **April 9, 2019**

**Attendance:** Scott Blinkhorn, Marlene Cook, Geoffrey Cooper, Ulric Deojay, Ross Farrugia.

**Absent:** Judy Andrade, Neil Cook, James Filice, and Andrew Hadfield.

Staff present – Russell Gray and Patricia Ball

**Audience of Citizens:** Raymond Weidele and Christine Johnson.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geoffrey Cooper at 7:00 pm.

U. Deojay made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia to move New Business ahead of Approval of minutes as a courtesy to the audience of citizens. All voted in favor of the motion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Offer received for 50 main Street, aka Jordan Center:** Christine Johnson, realtor retained for the sale, presented the commission with the offer provided by Raymond and Steven Weidele for the purchase of 50 Main Street. The listing purchase price is \$200,000. Ms. Johnson informed the commission there are over 800 realtors in the areas, the property has been posted multiple times in both Connecticut and Rhode Island newspapers and there have has been no interest for the past six months. Much of this is due in her belief to the amount of taxes for the property. Raymond and Steven Weidele have made an offer to purchase 50 Main Street for \$100,000 cash and land sold to them by the town in 2013, 390 Sterling Road, aka Revere Site (parcel B). U. Deojay made a motion, seconded by S. Blinkhorn to recommend to the Selectmen that it is in the best interest both economically and financially for the Town of Sterling and should accept the offer of \$100,000 cash and the land at 390 Sterling Road. All voted in favor of the motion.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** U. Deojay made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia to accept as written the 2/26/2019 special meeting minutes, and the 12/11/2018 regular meeting minutes with the following correction: Under New Business, item a. Motion on acceptance of 2019 meeting schedule instead of “Industrial Park Appraisals”. All voted in favor of the motion.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by S. Blinkhorn, seconded by R. Farrugia to adjourn at 7:43 pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Submitted by,

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Patricia Ball, Economic Development Coordinator