

Economic Development Commission  
Meeting Minutes of **October 8, 2019**

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

Staff present – Russell Gray and Patricia Ball

**Audience of Citizens:** None.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geoffrey Cooper at 7:28 pm.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** S. Blinkhorn made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia, to accept as written the 9/10/2019 regular meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

**a. Intent to Purchase Industrial Park Lot #6:** P. Ball informed the commission she received a letter of intent from Jeff Joslyn and Corbie Ack LLC, along with a \$500.00 check as a deposit, for the purchase of lot #6 in the Industrial Park. The lot is listed as 1.94 acres and J. Joslyn has petitioned to purchase the lot for \$11,865 per acre. There was some discussion regarding who would be the legal deeded owner of the lot, and to be sure it was to be J. Joslyn and not an outside organization. P. Ball will contact J. Joslyn to be sure before any next steps are taken that he is to be the legal owner of record on the property. S. Blinkhorn, made a motion, seconded by R. Farrugia to recommend to the Board of Selectmen, with the condition that the possible sale occur only if the property be in J. Joslyn's name, to request an 8-24 review from the Sterling Planning and Zoning Board. All voted in favor of the motion.

**b. Listing of 1110 Plainfield Pike aka Old Town Library:** P. Ball informed the commission in order to try and save realtor fees the site could be listed on the CERC Site Finder website for a fee. This web site is for commercial property and many other towns in Connecticut along with commercial businesses use the site as a tool to help develop and/or sell property. By becoming a listing member all available town property, including the lots in the Industrial Park, could be listed on the site during the membership year.

**c. Discussion regarding Industrial Park Lots:** The commission discussed the remaining available lots in the Industrial Park. One concern mentioned was the limited amount of the buildable property due to several different wetland reports taken over the years regarding the lots. The members discussed the possibility of asking the state for guidance on the potential usage of the lots and what suggestions may be available to the town to provide for a more useable land mass. P. Ball will contact a member of the state agency to ask for some guidance.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by J. Andrade, seconded by R. Farrugia to adjourn at 8:18 pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Submitted by,

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Patricia Ball, Economic Development Coordinator