



TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY

ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**Regular Meeting, Tuesday August 27, 2019 6:30 p.m.
Town Hall Conference Room**

Present: Commissioner David Cappelletti
Commissioner Ted Mannello
Commissioner Anthony Minchella
Commissioner Frank Mirovsky
Commissioner Armando Paolino
Commissioner Mark Petrucci
Chairman Terrence McAuliffe

Also Present: First Selectman Ed St. John

Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at about 6:30pm.
Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Petrucci MOTIONED to approve the July 23, 2019 minutes, SECOND by Anthony Minchella and unanimously voted.

DISCUSSION

Ed St. John discussed possibilities in marketing the former Chemtura site on Benson Road, but said a meeting between the owners and town officials had not yet taken place. He also noted some initial interest in an Assisted Living Facility on the corner of Route 18 and Christian Road. He said costs associated with natural gas likely caused them to look elsewhere. Ed also noted Robert LaFlamme's development of a building at Straits Turnpike and Park Road Extension, and a new Subaru dealership on the opposite corner. He also discussed the upcoming DOT reconstruction at 63/64/I-84.

In related matters, members discussed a possible tax stabilization program to attract Assisted Living Facilities needing fixed expenses over ten or fifteen years. No action was taken.

OTHER DISCUSSION

In discussions on coordination between Connecticut Main Street, chairs of EIDC, P&Z and the First Selectman, Armando agreed to set up a small meeting.

Regarding drone videography, Anthony Minchella said he would meet with Assessor Chris Kelsey to use the town drone.

Regarding E-Mail marketing, Chairman McAuliffe noted E-Mail proposals forwarded by Mark Petrucci. He said a boilerplate E-Mail needed to be constructed to be targeted to desired companies.

Regarding promotion of Oxford Airport proximity, Armando suggest an official from Key Air be contacted to meet with the commission and discuss business possibilities.

Chairman McAuliffe reminded members of the September 21st Celebrate Middlebury event.

ADJOURNMENT

Armando Paolino MOTIONED to adjourn, SECOND by Anthony Minchella and unanimously voted at about 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence McAuliffe

Chairman—Economic Development Commission
cc. Town Clerk, Barbara Whitaker, Commission Members