

Regular Meeting Minutes, Monday, June 26, 2023 - 6:30 p.m. Meadowview Park Pavilion (approved)

Present: Also

Chairman Terrence McAuliffe

present

Commissioner Jesse Langer Commissioner Frank Mirovsky Commissioner Armando Paolino Commissioner Mark Petrucci

**Excused** Commissioner Nicole Griffin

**Absent** Commissioner David Cappelletti

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman McAuliffe called the meeting to order at about 7:05 pm with roll call and pledge of allegiance.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Frank Mirovsky MOTIONED to approve the May 22, 2023 meeting minutes, SECOND by Jesse Langer and unanimously voted.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The commissioners brainstormed ideas for improving and preserving the small-town feel mentioned by many respondents in the 2022 Business Survey. Some of the discussion involved the need for beautification of the Middlebury Center area of town, and the limitations imposed by existing businesses and rights of way. Of concern was any development that might forever erase the town's rural charm many residents want preserved in what is otherwise an upscale community. Suggestions included revisiting and promoting the Streetscape proposal from

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March 2016, holding another AdvanceCT workshop as was done in October 2017, and inviting Commercial Real Estate Brokers for discussion as was done in 2021.

In topics to explore, the notion "what are we afraid we will lose" regarding the proposed Timex distribution center was discussed.

# **DISCUSSION**

None

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Frank Mirovsky MOTIONED to adjourn, SECOND by Jesse Langer and unanimously voted at about 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence McAuliffe
Chairman—Economic Development Commission
cc. Town Clerk, Commission Members