

Town Clerk

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Town of Vernon, Economic Development Commission  
Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 7:30 A.M.  
Vernon Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 14 Park Place  
Rockville/Vernon, CT

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1. Call to Order  
Meeting called to order at 7:35 A.M. by Chairperson Jeff Cohen. Those in attendance were Vincent Shaheen, Peter Olson, Dan Kennedy, Bruce Kellogg, Tim Ackert and Shaun Gately. Bill Breslau arrived at 7:40 A.M. Absent were Bill McGurk, Jim Sendrak
  
2. Public Forum
  - A. No one present to speak at Public Forum
  
3. Approval of Minutes from meeting on May 9, 2012, 2012
  - A. Motion was made by Peter Olson and seconded by Vincent Shaheen to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously with one abstention.
  
4. Administrative Items
  - A. Communications and Correspondence
    - i. Mr. Gately stated that Amerbelle will close at the end of June and production will continue through July and August. There is one tenant that has been there for over twenty year and will remain. Mr. Gately addressed Agenda Item 4B regarding the conceptual plan of future development for Vernon/Rockville. Mr. Gately reviewed the plan with the commission and answered questions relative to location and future businesses within those perimeters. There appears to be pockets of developmental areas throughout Vernon/Rockville which will need to be addressed.
  
  - B. Other – Conceptual plan of future development – This was addressed under Agenda Item 4Ai.
  
5. Economic Development Status Update
  - A. Current Projects
    - i. Commuter Lot located at 60 Talcottville Road – It appears that Exxon Mobil is close to getting out of the lease which will allow the property to be redeveloped.
  
    - ii. Tractor Supply on Talcottville Road- There has been some clearing of property with the potential of moving forward with ground breaking.
  
    - iii. Exit 66 and Exit 67 – This was addressed under the conceptual plan of future development.

- iv. Talcottville Mill – The abatement was approved by Town Council, so they are moving forward.
- v. Loom City Lofts – They remain stalled due to financing.
- vi. Convenience and Deli Store located at 60 School St. – They have obtained their CO and are ready to open.

B. Ribbon Cuttings

- i. Hillside Terrace Solar Array opened as of June 4, 2012
- ii. VCAC opened as of June 9, 2012
- iii. Trail Deduction took place on June 11, 2012

C. New Business Development

- i. 200 West Main Street is selling their tax lien and environmental testing is being performed on the property, the Town will proceed and will be reimbursed by the developer.

6. New Business

A. POCD Implementation Objectives

- i. Although some of the subcommittees have met, there was a discussion regarding the facades and the concept of sand blasting to the buildings in downtown Rockville. Further investigations will take place concerning what would be best for the facades of the building. There was a discussion about fundraising which should involve the whole community. Bruce Kellogg is going to review the specifications on mason restorations.

7. Old Business

A. None

8. Adjournment

A. A motion was made by Bill Breslau and seconded by Vincent Shaheem to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recoding Secretary

Approved 7-11-12

