

TOWN OF SALEM, CT.

Economic Development Commission

Regular Meeting, March 20, 2017, 7:30 p.m. Salem Office Building, Room 2

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm by meeting chair Frank Sroka.

Members present:

Frank Sroka

Wendy Mikolinski

Elby Burr

Paul Robillard

Members not present:

Ken Bondi

Andy Lightner

Visitors:

None

1. Reading of Agenda – chairperson

Frank Sroka presented agenda. Resignation notice by EDC member Ken Biondi added to the agenda.

Motion: Elby Burr moved to approve the resignation of EDC member Ken Bondi. Seconded by Wendy Mikolinski. Unanimously approved.

Motion: Elby Burr moved to approve the Minutes for 02/19/2017 meeting. Seconded by Wendy Mikolinski. Unanimously approved.

2. Communications

None

3. Public Comment

None

4. Reports

- a. Selectman / EDC Liaison: None
- b. P&Z Liaison: Elby Burr reported that the P&Z committee recently approved new regulations specifically related to Senior Housing in Salem.

5. Old Business

- a. Wendy Mikolinski reported that Selectman Kevin Lyden had approved an official Facebook page for the EDC Committee to be used for Salem EDC activity and announcements. This page will also be used as a tool to gather data from area businesses to be included in the Salem Business Directory.

The first of two mailings to all Salem businesses has been finalized and will be released by Minute Man Press. The mailing(s) will guide recipients on avenues for inclusion in that Business Directory and rewards for participation.

- b. Elby Burr presented the Senior Housing Project to the EDC members. His thorough presentation included examples of existing senior housing developments in surrounding areas. Elby used these examples to produce a template of a senior development that would blend into Salem's rural environment and meet the new regulations passed by the P&Z Committee.

His design included a circular freestanding home design with a common road leading into the neighborhood. To comply with Salem's regulations, including water, sewer, and leach field requirements, the neighborhood would have 8 units with private driveways and shared sewer, water and leach field systems. Elby produced an aerial layout design of the proposed neighborhood for the EDC members to use as a guide during his presentation.

The EDC members unanimously approved of Elby's design. Elby will request a meeting with Selectman Kevin Lyden and Town Planner Rich Serra to present his design on behalf of the EDC Committee and to discuss possible land sources for the project. Elby will report updates to the EDC members at the next EDC meeting.

6. New Business

None

7. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. in Salem Town Hall, Room 2.

Motion: Wendy Mikolinski motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Paul Robillard.
Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.