



Town of Burlington

MINUTES OF MEETING VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (EDC)

MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021 AT 7:00PM

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. In attendance were Michael Androw, Kevin Bair, Tod Kallenbach, David Wrabel, First Selectman Ted Shafer, Dwight Harris (256 Spielman Highway), and David Goshdigian (15 Deerfield Trace).
- II. Public Comment: Goshdigian stated that he was a long-time customer of Angel Automotive, LLC, located on 8 Covey Road. He stated that the business owner was considering moving the business to Torrington because the property owner was not responding to the business owner's requests for a lease agreement. EDC agreed with Goshdigian's opinion that it would be beneficial to help the business owner stay in Burlington if we could help the business owner secure a lease at the current location or another suitable and available commercial property in Town. Goshdigian said that he would follow-up with the business owner and let him know that the EDC is willing to help, if the business owner wants to keep the business in Burlington.
- III. Review/Approve minutes of April 12, 2021 meeting. The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
- IV. Guest: Dwight Harris, Johnnycake Properties 256 Spielman Highway. Harris presented elevation drawings for proposed façade improvements to the building exterior. EDC agreed to prepare an endorsement letter to the Planning & Zoning Commission in advance of Harris' building design review with P&ZC on May 13.
- V. Library Lane Development Advisory Committee (by request of Board of Selectmen). Shafer stated that 17 applications from Burlington residents for membership to the six-person committee had been received by the April 30 deadline. Applicants will be scheduled for interviews with the Board of Selectmen at upcoming meetings, starting May 11. Vince Lambri submitted an application to be the designated EDC representative on the committee.
- VI. Updates on business/property developments. No other updates were discussed
- VII. New Business: Wrabel suggested updating the banners attached to the light poles along the sidewalk in the center of Town. EDC agreed. Kallenbach and Shafer offered to make recommendations on new designs and participation with Town organizations (e.g. Chamber of Commerce, Region 10 Schools).
- VIII. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tod Kallenbach – Chairman, Burlington EDC