

TOWN OF TIVERTON

Economic Development Commission
207 Canonicus Street
Tiverton, Rhode Island 02878

MEETING MINUTES

Organization: Economic Development Commission
Date and Time: Thursday, May 14, 2015 @ 6:00PM
Location: Tiverton Senior Center
207 Canonicus Street
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The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Scott Humphrey, Chairman. Members present were Jon Cottrell, Renee Jones, Susan Gill, Solicitor Peter Skwirz and Melissa Hutchison arrived at 6:05PM.

Item #1: Approval of minutes

A motion was made by J. Cottrell to approve minutes from April 6, 2015, second by R. Jones. Vote passed by J.C., S.H., R.J., S.Gill. M.H. not present at his time.

Scott Humphrey made a motion to move ahead to **Items #3 & #4** for discussion, motion by J. Cottrell, second by S. Gill, approved by all.

S. Humphrey distributed two letters written by R. Jones to the Planning Board in regards to CPAC and EDC position on mixed use development. He expressed concern over her lack of respect for his work and position. Discussion ensued by all members excluding M. Hutchinson. It was concluded by Solicitor Peter Skwirz no laws were broken throughout the CPAC meetings by S. Humphrey. On a Part legal/Practical note he indicated a member of a Board dissenting with the majority of Board should preface comments with, it is their personal opinion rather than citing their affiliation with a Town Board. On a practical note he indicated Boards rife with acrimony are not good for the Town and people should find a way to work together, even when they disagree.

Item #2: Town Meeting updates

Harbor- J. Cottrell

House Bill dealing with mooring fees the State was looking to acquire has been dropped
Stone Bridge Abutment is being referred for State overview to expedite work

Planning Board- R. Jones

Town Council will receive positive recommendations from the PB for the mixed use project; Zoning, Comp Plan and Master Plan approved

Recreation- S. Gill

Fees submitted for Beach and Summer programs, Grinnell's plan is to remain closed this summer

Town Council- S. Gill

PRISM streetlight presentation for ownership co-op of lights to save expenses

Initial presentation of Casino plan in Tiverton at a Special Meeting

Four Corners merchants will have 'Nestival' event Mother's Day weekend with funds raised to be matched by merchants for a scholarship for an Art or Business student.

Town Planner requesting appraisal of land and best use bids for Business Park- Council approved

Wastewater- S, Humphrey

Mr. Kendricks presented plan to approx. 60 Riverside residents, more specific information given

Zoning Board- M. Hutchinson

Absent, no report

Four Corners Merchant Group- S. Gill

'Nestival' and scholarship as noted above, Don't Mall Tiverton presentation

#5 Twin River proposal

See note above

#6 Next meeting schedule

Next meeting June 11, 2015 at 6:00PM at Town Hall.

#7 Adjournment

Motion made by J. Cottrell to adjourn, second by S. Gill, approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Submitted by: Susan Gill

Approval Date: May 14, 2015