

**Town of East Windsor
Economic Development Commission**

11 Rye Street
Broad Brook, CT. 06016

Regular Meeting
Monday, October 21, 2019
Town Hall Meeting Room, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

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Economic Development Commission

Eric Moffett, Chairman

Gil Hayes

Bob Lyke

Members Present: Eric Moffett (Chairman), Gil Hayes, and Bob Lyke, Jr.

Members Absent: .All members were present.

Guests: First Selectman Robert Maynard, and Maria Rumore.

Chairman Moffett called the Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

A quorum was established as all Regular Members were present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No one requested to speak at this time; general discussion occurred throughout the meeting. Ms. Rumore has joined the Commission this evening to familiarize herself with the Commission's present focus.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES/ February 25, 2019 REGULAR MEETING and May 20, 2019
REGULAR MEETING:**

MOTION: To APPROVE the Minutes of the Economic Development Commission
Regular Meetings dated February 25, 2019, and May 20, 2019 as presented.

Lyke moved/Hayes seconded/**DISCUSSION:** None.

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VOTE: In Favor: Unanimous (Moffett/Hayes/Lyke)

ESTABLISH 2020 MEETING DATES:

The Commission reviewed the 2020 Meeting schedule as presented, with the Commission continuing to meet on the third Monday of the month. Commissioner Lyke noted he has conflicts with other meetings on Mondays; the Commission considered other options. Staff will investigate possibilities and provide the Commission with a new 2020 Meeting schedule for the November 18, 2019 Commission Meeting.

ELECT OFFICERS:

MOTION: To NOMINATE Eric Moffett for Chairman, and Bob Lyke for Vice Chairman of the Economic Development Commission.

Hayes moved/Moffett seconded/DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: In Favor: Unanimous (Moffett/Hayes/Lyke)

MOTION: To NOMINATE Gil Hayes as Secretary of the Economic Development Commission.

Lyke moved/Moffett seconded/DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: In Favor: Unanimous (Moffett/Hayes/Lyke)

GENERAL DISCUSSION/Updates/EDC Website:

First Selectman Maynard gave the Commission an update of his progress on the EDC Webpage. As requested, he has included button options across the middle of the page titled *Business*, *Community*, *Connect*, and *Data*. The buttons then offer areas to populate with information specific to the topic. First Selectman Maynard will continue to work on compiling the information for each button.

First Selectman Maynard provided the Commission with a drone video of the Industrial Park, which he's added to the EDC webpage. The Commission suggested expanding the video to show the park's proximity to Interstate 91. The Commission reiterated their intent to create short videos of current business owners promoting their business while explaining what drew them to East Windsor.

Commissioner Lyke left the meeting at 6:40 p.m. to attend another meeting.

GENERAL DISCUSSION/Updates/General Discussion:

The Commission discussed the continuing need for hiring an individual specific to pursuing economic development. The Commission compared the new business development occurring in Enfield and South Windsor with our current lull. The Commission noted the need to develop an

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inventory of available land and their potential uses. The Commission discussed the impact of the casino on the Route 5 corridor, and North Road. First Selectman Maynard cited the ongoing studies of the Warehouse Point area, and the CRCOG Route 5 Corridor Study, which reflects current and anticipated traffic conditions, and recommended improvements.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Moffett ADJOURNED the Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Peg Hoffman, Recording Secretary, East Windsor Economic Development Commission.