

ROUTE 6 REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: 9:07AM by Joyce Stille

PLACE: Columbia Town Hall

ROLL CALL: Eric M. Trott (Planner – Town of Coventry); Elaine Buchardt (EDC – Town of Andover); Jana Butts (Planner – Town of Columbia); John Pagini (Planner – Town of Bolton) ; Carmen Vance (Selectman – Town of Columbia); Joyce Stille (Town Administrator – Town of Bolton);

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

November 13, 2012 – A motion was made by Vance and seconded by Buchardt to adopt the minutes of November 13, 2012 with the following corrections: Page 1 – correct spelling of ‘sign’; the next meeting date is December 3 not November 13; correct spelling of Tom Maziarz. The motion carried unanimously, with Eric abstaining.

NEXT STEPS:

John reported that he received an email from Tom Maziarz regarding the Bolton former RTE 6 expressway parcels, which are the visioned as a location for a future office park project. DEEP is reviewing the properties with respect to environmental protection.

It was agreed that plans need to be made to schedule meetings with State officials to discuss the former RTE 6 expressway properties that relate to the Corridor Plan and the need to address the property reversion issues in the CT General Statutes. Jana and John indicated that they would identify the properties in Bolton and Columbia.

A meeting in Hartford at the Legislative Office Building after the first of the year to discuss the State parcels, statutory implications, EDDs needs to be scheduled.

GRANT APPLICATION:

The status of the RPIG proposal involving shared economic development services between Coventry, Mansfield and Tolland was discussed.

It was agreed that the Council should prepare an application to seek funding for the following: shared economic development staff to carry out the recommendations of the Plans; Corridor signage and a detailed leakage study.

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The following costs were considered appropriate for each task: \$75,000.00 – leakage study; \$75,000.00 – staff; \$40,000.00 – corridor signage.

A motion was made by Pagini and seconded by Trott to prepare and submit a RPIG proposal for the following: shared economic development staff to carry out the recommendations of the Plans; Corridor signage and a detailed leakage study. The following is the budget for the tasks: 75,000.00 – leakage study; \$75,000.00 – staff; \$40,000.00 – corridor signage. The motion passed unanimously.

The resolutions and endorsements that are required for the grant were discussed in detail. The deadline for the grant is December 31st.

ZONING COMMITTEE:

Work is ongoing with the regulations. The next meeting is scheduled for December 13.

It was agreed that it would be helpful to do individual presentations at the Town Planning and Zoning Commissions to share the drafts of the regulations.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric M. Trott

Secretary