

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON, CT  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
October 10, 2018 Meeting**

DATE: Wednesday October 10, 2018

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

PLACE: Town Council Chambers

**AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public Comment
- C. Presentation By Jim Calciano – 155 Scott Swamp road
  - 1. To consider issuing a positive referral for the redevelopment of the former GMN Spindles Building
- D. Reading of Minutes.
  - September 5, 2018 Economic Development Commission Minutes (Attachment 1)
- E. Economic Developer's Report (Attachment 2)
- F. Town Council Liaison Report
- G. New Business
- H. Adjournment

cc: Economic Development Commissioners  
Town Council Liaison  
Kathleen A. Eagen, Town Manager  
William Warner, Town Planner  
Paula Ray, Town Clerk  
Deb Bull, Administrative Assistant (by e-mail)

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

DATE: September 5, 2018  
 TIME: 5:30 P.M.  
 PLACE: Conference Room B

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Augusto Russell Carol King  
 Robert Reeve Ed Giannaros  
 Bill Wadsworth John Karwoski  
 Daniel Kleinman Brian Connolly

**Staff**

Rose Ponte

- a. Call to Order**  
 a. Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 5:30 pm
- b. Public Comment – No Comments**
- c. Presentation by Metro Realty- Kyle Richards**  
 Kyle Richards gave a presentation about an upcoming project on Farmington Avenue. The project is one that would utilize the new Innovation Floating Zone. It would be a mixed use development offering housing, restaurants, and possible office space. One of the most important benefits to the town would be the ability to attract a younger demographic to Farmington.  
 A motion was made and seconded (Kleinman/ King) to issue a positive referral for the project.  
 a. **Motion carried**
- d. Reading of the Minutes**  
 A motion was made and seconded (Wadsworth / Reeve) to accept the June 20, 2018 minutes.  
 a. The **motion carried.**
- e. EDC Business Breakfast**  
 a. The Commissioners discussed the logistics concerning the September 26, 2018. They agreed to recognize CT Spring & Stamping for 78 years in business.  
 b. **Breakfast Sponsorship**  
 Farmington Bank President, John Patrick, and Mike Schweighoffer, met with Rose and Kathy Eagen to discuss the transition that will take place with the bank's acquisition by People's Bank. During that meeting Mr. Patrick offered to continue the breakfast sponsorship for one year through the Farmington Bank Foundation. Webster Bank also offered to sponsor the business breakfast. The Commissioners were very grateful for Farmington Bank's support through the years and they were very appreciative of the Webster Bank sponsorship. In recognition that Farmington Bank has been sponsoring the Breakfast since its inception consensus among the Commissioners was to accept Farmington Bank's one year extension. The Commissioners asked Rose to schedule a meeting with Webster Bank to explore other avenues in which the EDC could partner with Webster Bank.  
  
**A motion was made and seconded (Reeve/King) to accept the Farmington Bank Foundation sponsorship for one additional year**  
 a. Motion carried.
- f. Review of the Commission's by-laws for election of officers**  
 Rose reminded the Commissioners that according to the Commission's governance rules officers must be elected by the November monthly meeting.
- g. Economic Developers Report-** The report was reviewed by the Commissioners.

- h. **Planner's Report** – Commissioner's reviewed the planner's report.
- i. **Town Council Liaison Report-**  
Councilman Giannaros gave an update on the Town Council's 3 subcommittees. The Committees have been meeting throughout the summer.
- j. **Adjournment**  
A motion was made and seconded (King/ Karwoski) to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm. **Approved unanimously**

**Respectfully Submitted,**  
**Rose Ponte**  
**Economic Development Director**

**CC: Economic Development Commissioners**

**Economic Development Director Report**  
September 2018 EDC Report

**Business Visits:**

During the month of September I met or conferenced with the following:

1. Evan Dobos, Civic Lift
2. Steve Dickie, CT Spring & Stamping
3. Robin Pearson, Attorney for developers interested in purchasing the Farmington Baptist Church parcel
4. Kyle Richards, Metro Realty
5. Mike Kozlowski, Claris Construction
6. Ralph Keene, Farmington Baptist Church
7. Elizabeth Sheridan, Webster Bank
8. Chris Forester, Unionville Resident
9. Patty Lebouthieller, Unionville Resident
10. Cindy Bombard, Central Chamber of Commerce
11. Vaishali Shah, Coder School
12. Jim Calciano, Calciano Associates
13. Kristina Mozzicato, Abundant Health Massage and Wellness
14. Margaret Van Cott, Tunxis Community College

**Partnerships Events and meetings**

EDC Business Breakfast  
Hill-Stead Museum Marketing Committee  
Weekly Rotary Meetings  
Farmington Center Committee Meetings

**Communications**

Weekly Explore Farmington Event Emails  
Farmington Center Committee Invitation  
EDC Business Breakfast Invitation  
Cyber-Security Breakfast Invitation