



Town of Stonington
Economic Development Commission
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Stonington, Connecticut 06378

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EDC Mission:
To assist in the
establishment of new
business in Stonington;
finding business
locations; State of
Connecticut and local
assistance and
incentives; introductions
to area officials and
business leaders; and area
statistics and information.

MINUTES

Special Meeting

Economic Development Commission for Cultural Districts

Tuesday, January 17, 2023, 9:00 am

Stonington Town Hall, 152 Elm St., Stonington, CT

Call to Order: Elsie Bisset, EDC Member

Attending: Kevin Bowdler, Chairman; Elsie Bisset

Guests: Gabriella Radujko, Elizabeth Wood, Susan Lavender and Matt Beaudoin

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am by Elsie Bisset.
- 2) Introductions: Along with introductions Elsie mentioned the Book Launch, held at the Stonington Free Library on December 4th for Jessica Cerullo's new book, "Some Stranger Somewhere." Matt mentioned dismantling the Lobster Trap Tree last weekend and the overflowing community spirit shown by working together.
- 3) Elsie Reviewed the most recent draft of the ordinance. The plan is for a new stand-alone Cultural Districts Advisory Commission to be formed after the ordinance is approved. Interested persons will submit applications and be interviewed by the Board of Selectmen and then appointed to be members.

Discussion on Section 1 C 3 regarding representation from villages. It will be edited to add representatives from "all of Stonington including the Borough, Mystic, Old Mystic, Pawcatuck and Wequetequock."

- 4) Discussion on what components we still need. Elizabeth will email information on all of the Nationally designated historic properties. Paul will continue to create text on notable cultural assets. Elsie will check on regional and the Town's Plan of Conservation & Development. Gabriella will review the information she has collected for the application. Elsie will email the ordinance to Danielle and Wendy for review as the public hearing may be scheduled for February 27. It will be decided if we need a meeting for February 21.

5} Public Comment: None

6} Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Bowdler, Chairman. Economic Development Commission