

Town of Stonington
Economic Development Commission
Special Meeting Minutes for February 20, 2014
Human Services Building- 7:00pm

Present: Ed Planeta, Blunt White, Amy Arruda, Les Bray, and Joel Valenti

Absent: None

Town Guests: None

Call to Order: 7:19pm

Approval of November 14th Minutes Passed 5-0

Motion: Ed Planeta

Second: Blunt White

Old Business:

- 2014 POCD- nothing reported
- M1 Zone- nothing reported
- Additional new commission members needed

New Business:

- Sewer Tie-in Fees:
 - The EDC is requesting that the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) consider adding an installment payment plan option for deferred sewer benefit assessments and hook-up fees. Residential and Commercial developments currently require a "cash-in-advance" payment of the benefit assessment prior to issuance of a sewer construction permit. An installment plan will make Stonington a more competitive place for people to build.
 - Ed Planeta and Blunt White will be attending WPCA meeting Tuesday February 25th to introduce the idea and seek guidance.
 - The plan is to hire a consulting group to research other CT communities who already have an installment plan in place so as to formulate a plan to propose at the next WPCA meeting at the end of March.

Approval of Motion to Solicit proposals for a consultant, and appropriate up to \$1000 to prepare the outline of an installment plan for residential and commercial sewer tie-in charges.

Motion: Blunt White passed 5-0

Second: Les Bray

- Historic Preservation Tax Credits
 - Les Bray will be researching Mystic and Pawcatuck Historic Districts
 - Possible new initiative

Adjournment 8:49pm

Respectfully Submitted by Joel Valenti

Approved 3/13/2014 Blunt White Chairman