

Town of Stonington
Economic Development Commission
Special Meeting Minutes DRAFT
Wednesday July 15, 2015

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Town Human Services Building- 7:00pm

Present: Ed Planeta, Blunt White, Amy Arruda, Suzanne Lane, David Hammond, Rich Balestracci, and Joel Valenti

Absent: None

Town Guests: Rob Simmons, Stuart Schwartzstein, Tomas Gates, and Caroline Ruby

Call to Order: 7:10pm

"Approve June 18th 2015 Minutes"

Motion: Blunt White

Second: Joel Valenti

All in favor

Business:

- ✓ *Plan of Conservation and Development, priorities and follow up.*

"The EDC will send a letter to the POCD Implementation Committee recommending prioritized initiatives."

1. Broadening M1 Zone uses – PZC should actively consider the previously recommended HM manufacturing zone, POCD Initial Task #10.2.10

2. Mystic Aquarium – PZC should actively consider creating a new zone for the Aquarium so it becomes a permitted use on its current site, POCD Initial Task #10.4.5

Motion: Suzanne Lane

Second: David Hammond

All in favor

- ✓ *Follow up Town hiring process for new Director of Planning*

"The EDC will send a letter to the Selectman. In the letter the EDC will recommend that the Selectman discuss/re-evaluate the current Director of Planning job description. The EDC will also recommend that hiring a Director of Planning be added as an initiative on the Selectman's Agenda."

Motion: Blunt White

Second: David Hammond

All in favor

- ✓ *Search for additional members*

Tomas Gates and Caroline Ruby attended the meeting tonight and are considering joining as alternates. Also, Amy has a candidate she will invite to the next meeting who may be interested.

New Business:

- ✓ *EDC presence on town website*

Joel and Blunt will meet with Roger Kizer, the Town of Stonington's IT manager, in order to start updating the webpage.

Adjournment: 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Joel Valenti