

## **Town of Stonington Economic Development Commission**

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## **AGENDA**

Regular Meeting Wednesday, January 17, 2018 6:00 p.m.

**Human Services Building** 166 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, CT

Kevin Bowdler Vice Chairman

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Pete Robinson Member

**Ed Planeta** Alternate

**Bill Hobbs** Alternate

**Ward Smith** Alternate

**EDC Goals:** 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.

1. Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

- Approval of prior Minutes: November 13, 2017, November 15, 2017, December 7, 2017, December 18, 2017 and January 8, 2018.
- 3. Comments from the Public.
- 4. Comments from Planning Department.
- 5. Guest Speaker: Nancy Cowser, Executive Director, Southeastern CT Enterprise Region (seCTer) will provide an overview of the seCTer Strategic Plan and the recently approved Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). Expected Outcome: look for areas of collaboration.
- 6. Old Business:
  - a) EDC-sponsored Community Conversations. Expected Outcomes:
    - M-2 Broadway Extension any updates?
    - Marinas Community Conversation--next steps, including participation at Hartford Boat Show Feb 8-11 (Kevin).
    - TC-80 status of timeline for UConn conceptual design project (Dave).
    - CS-5 discuss scheduling.
  - b) Branding / Placemaking / Wayfinding Sub-Committee report (Kevin). Expected Outcome: forward plan and actions needed.
  - c) Pawcatuck Village Update Activity (Jim), TIF (Jason). Expected Outcome: identify any immediate actions needed.
  - d) Substantial Improvements / look-back: Debrief from 1/16/18 PZC meeting (Dave). Expected Outcome: identify next steps.
  - e) Community Education Forum planning: Status of plans for 1/29/18 Aquaculture Forum (Ward, Danielle). Expected Outcome: readiness.
  - f) Agriculture Committee Report (Ward): Debrief of 1/9/18 meeting. Expected Outcome: update.
- 7. New Business:
  - a) Bikeways Plans: Regional bikeways plan grant, POCD progress (Danielle).
  - b) EDC Comprehensive Economic Development Plan: Revisit priority / timing for 'retreat' to advance the draft Plan. Expected Outcome: agree timing.

Dave Hammond, Chairman **Economic Development Commission**