



Town of Stonington
Economic Development Commission
 152 Elm Street
 Stonington, Connecticut 06378

EDC Goal Themes	Downtown Pawcatuck
	Stonington Brand
	Housing

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*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.*

FINAL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Human Services Building
 166 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, CT

Attending: EDC: Dave Hammond, Kevin Bowdler, Jim Lathrop, Suzanne Lane, Rich Balestracci, Danielle Chesebrough, Pete Robinson, Kristine Halleck, Bill Hobbs, Chris Donahue; Department of Planning: Keith Brynes; Guest: Frank DiCiantis; 4 students.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

The Minutes of the 9/18/19 Regular Meeting were approved. Motion: Jim, Second: Pete. All in Favor.

Old Business – See Table for Plan status updates of 2019-20 Projects. Projects discussed:

- a) Project #1: Grain Property – actions: reviewed conceptual drawings. Next steps identified (see Table). No decisions.
- b) Project #3: Circus Lot – actions: plan another clean-up day. No decisions.
- c) Project #4: Pawcatuck Riverwalk – actions: weekly committee meeting. No decisions.
- d) Project #8: Housing Strategy – actions: provided update of discussions with subject matter experts, and identified next steps. No decisions.

New Business-7:00 p.m.:

- a) Beginning January 2020, EDC Regular Meetings will be the 3rd Wednesday of every month excepting July, August, December (no change). **Meetings will begin a half hour earlier at 6:00 p.m.** in the Human Services conference room.
- b) Sal Ritacco introduced his idea to inspire a Pawcatuck Village Neighborhood Association (PVNA) to tackle various issues and benefit Pawcatuck. He will organize monthly Community Meetings, and will advise.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Hammond, Chairman
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 Approved November 20, 2019

	Project / Initiative / Task	2019 -202 Progress / Description / Scope	Accomplishments	Action Steps for Next Regular Meeting	Lead / Resource
Downtown Pawcatuck	1. Grain building lot – pre-approved site plan	Continue High Priority Project: Conceptual drawings / Community Conversation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawings complete (10/4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Street View (Jim w/ Azzinaro) Developer input (Dave, Jim) Plan 1st week Dec Community Conversation 	Jim / \$6K (EDC)
	2. Pawcatuck Historic Structure designation –	Key element of Pawcatuck revitalization effort			Dave
	3. Acquire Circus Lot / Potential Uses	Develop a Plan of Action for options for use and implementation plan; Stage another cleanup day/ acquire or not / land bank / enviro study (budget); options for uses		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schedule a 2nd Clean Up Day in Nov; rent a dumpster 	Bill
	4. Pawcatuck Riverwalk	Bulkhead spec to derive cost per linear foot / Ref POCD 13.2.9 (DPW) for pedestrian bridge component	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Docko proposal for a section 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly meetings starting 10/22 	Chris
	5. Pawcatuck Streetscape	How to spend \$40K approved CIP money			TBD / \$40K (DoP)
	6. Marketing – branding / placemaking	Branding complete; website development and content ongoing			Kevin
	7. Wayfinding – BETA	allocate EDC budget / seek cost-share with beneficiaries			Kevin
	8. Housing strategy	Continue High Priority Project; draft Affordable Housing Plan (state requirement) and Housing Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussions with Lisa Tepper-Bates, Melissa Kaplan-Macey, Vice President, State Programs & Connecticut Director Regional Plan Association ; Kathy Dorgan, Dorgan Architecture & Planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DH meet with Lisa T-B re TOD Schedule a Special Meeting for Nov (DH) 	Dave
	9. Land Bank	Incorporate in Housing Strategy			Dave
	10. Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Districts	Pawcatuck: Walkable downtowns; Consider reduced parking requirement; Research Paper to inform Community Conversation; link to pedestrian bridge effort			Pete
	11. Incentivize Workforce Housing	10% affordable included for projects > 10 units, or in lieu-of payment			Dave

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