

REGULAR MEETING

Mill Sites Redevelopment Advisory Committee (MSRAC)
Friday, October 12, 2018 – 9:00AM
Merrill Seney Community Room
Thompson Town Hall

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MINUTES

PRESENT: J. Blanchette, Chairman
S. Lewis, Vice Chairman
J. Hall
B. Davis
N. O’Leary (arrived at 9:05AM)

ALSO PRESENT: M. A. Chinatti, Director of Planning and Development
S. Donohoe, Property Owner Liaison

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Blanchette called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 14, 2018 Regular Meeting

(M/S/C Lewis/Hall) to approve the minutes as presented. Carried unanimously.

3. CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS - NONE

5. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

a. Approve 2019 Meeting Schedule

(M/S/C Davis/Hall) to approve the 2019 Meeting Schedule as presented. Carried unanimously.

b. Brownfield Area-Wide Redevelopment (BAR) Grant – Update

Chairman Blanchette stated representatives from CME Associates were to be at this meeting to discuss some of the tasks/scope/etc. of the grant work, to which M. A. Chinatti responded she neglected to remind W.

Bugden of that. The Committee then agreed to ask CME to be present for the discussion at its December 14 meeting.

M. A. Chinatti stated the revised CME contract, revised per DECD comments, was received and would be signed by the First Selectman this date and forwarded to CME for final execution. Following receipt of the fully executed document, work can begin.

c. 630 Riverside Dr. Update

In response to a question from J. Hall re brush clearing, S. Donohoe stated it has not yet been done as he thought the State and Town were going to do the front and he was supposed to do the back. The Committee asked M. A. Chinatti to discuss with the First Selectman having the Public Works crew take care of that.

S. Donohoe stated P. Lange, the Real Estate Agent marketing the property, has had no inquiries for the site this month.

d. 929 Riverside Dr. Update

M. A. Chinatti distributed W. Bugden's status update to members and to S. Donohoe. Following members' review of the document it held brief discussion re some of the cited items. S. Donohoe asked who will be moving the container to allow for the testing, to which M. A. Chinatti responded Public Works would do that, and that K. Beausoleil is working on coordinating it with the Public Works Director.

J. Hall noted, re last month's discussion about running broadband to the development, that information should be passed on to J. Gumpert for his consideration re getting it included in his redevelopment plans for his future tenants.

6. MEMBER COMMENTS

Chairman Blanchette distributed the article she wrote for inclusion in the next Selectman's Update.

Members discussed updating its sign at the Belding site. After noting there is no update to be made re the Belding site, members stated it could be updated as progress occurs at the River Mill/915 development.

In response to the question from S. Donohoe re whether work associated with the DECD sign (at 929) is done, M. A. Chinatti stated it is not and that it is still ongoing.

Chairman Blanchette asked M. A. Chinatti to ask K. Beausoleil to have the town crew take care of the previously discussed brush removal at 630, which M. A. Chinatti agreed she would do.

Members then discussed the November meeting.

M/S/C Hall/Lewis) to cancel the November 18 Regular Meeting. Carried unanimously.

7. ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, the Committee adjourned at 9:24AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. A. Chinatti, Director of Planning & Development