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**Economic Development Commission**

**Branford, Connecticut**

**Minutes of Regular Meeting  
February 19, 2020**

**Present:** Perry Maresca, William O'Brien, Richard Sgueglia, Alisa Waterman, John Leonard, Cathy Lezon, Sheri Cote, Jamie Cosgrove, Al Canosa

**I. Call to Order:** Chairman Perry Maresca called the meeting to order 8:01

**II. Consent Agenda:** Motion by Al Canosa, Second, Alisa Waterman

**III. External reports:**

**A. Selectman's Report** – Working on the new town budget for fiscal 2020-2021. Going through all the budgets for all departments. Phase I at the Walsh Intermediate School is complete. Phase II has commenced. Town is working on infrastructure. Have received grant for road and crosswalk repair and improvements on Main Street.

**B. P&Z** – Discussion continues for 15 Lot Subdivision by Vigliotti Construction at Todds Hill Rd. A Secondino Construction is trying to move forward with construction of a new building on Sycamore Way. Still under review at Inland Wetlands. The facility will house a biomedical company. There is a public hearing for SP Development to build new apartments located at 1421-22 Summit Place. The Branford motel project was tabled. Applicant asked for a continuance to February 20th. New apartments being considered for the Key Bank and Days Inn site on Route 1 by Exit 55. Archie Moore's restaurant is moving into the old ASTI Restaurant in the center of town. The Aldi/Chase project on West Main Street is still being discussed at Inland Wetlands.

**C. Chamber Report:** Annual Dinner is being held at Woodwinds on February 27th. March 9th there will be a legislative Forum at the Guilford Community Center. The Chili Challenge will be held in late April.

**D. Chairman's Update:** A letter is being sent to P&Z in favor of constructing the new building seeking approval by A Secondino on 21 Sycamore Way and East Main St. Welcome letter being sent to Azitra, a new biomedical business moving into 21 Business Park Drive. The EDC will be a sponsor for the Summer Jazz series. The EDC meeting schedule was formally confirmed, motion by John Leonard, second by Al Canosa.

**IV. Committee Reports and Unfinished Business:**

**A. Research Committee:** Al Canosa reported that 3 pages have been completed for the copy for the EDC website. The committee will review the copy by the next meeting.

**B. Resource Committee:** No Report

**C. Retention Committee:** No report

**V. New/Other business:**

**A. Presentation:** REX discussed the Economic Development Strategy on the region for 2020

**B. Public Comments:** None

**C. Announcements:** Next Meeting - March 18, 2020

**D. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned 9:37

Al Canosa · Joe Gordon · John Leonard · Cathy Lezon · Perry Maresca [chair] · William O'Brien · Richard Sgueglia · Alisa Waterman · First Selectman Jamie Cosgrove [ex officio]

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