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## Economic Development Commission

## Branford, Connecticut

### EDC Meeting September 16, 2020

**Present:** Perry Maresca, Richard Sgueglia, John Leonard, Cathy Lezon, Jamie Cosgrove, Al Canosa, Bill O'Brien, Elena Cahill, Joe Gordon

**Call to Order:** Chairman Perry Maresca called the meeting to order 8:00

**Consent Agenda:** Motion to accept the minutes by Elena Cahill, Second by Joe Gordon.

#### External reports

**Selectman's Report:** The town is still dealing with the storm clean up which continues to be done. Local businesses believe the addition of the tables placed on the Town Green have helped businesses on Main Street. Wi-Fi was also expanded on the green for individuals to use. There will be a virtual Bio-Science meeting on Thursday night September 17th.

**Planning and Zoning:** Medical office building being proposed for the Su-Casa site. Metro Star is still moving forward to develop the old Margarita's location on East Main Street. Anchor Reef is still trying to move forward with the development along the River.

**Chamber Report:** The chamber has been active hosting virtual meetings. There is a Business After Hours event at Bar Eighty. The Chamber will be hosting sexual harassment training on Tuesday September 22nd. The chamber will continue to do ribbon cuttings for new members. The Woman of Excellence event will be virtual this year. Also, the chamber is updating Video on the chamber website.

**Chairman's Update:** The construction on Route 1 Exit 55 is almost complete. The seawall on Limewood Ave. is being repaired. The Sybil Creek bridge repair will start, and the bridge will be closed for 7-10 days. Both projects are being done at the same time. Jamie Cosgrove also commented on a couple of items being done in town, the island near the High School on North Main Street will be redone. Also new sidewalks west of Blackstone Library are being replaced as well as the cross walks on Main Street.

#### Committee Reports and Unfinished Business

**Research Committee:** Al Canosa reported on the website. The webmaster will be getting the six pages of copy uploaded on the website, Al reports the copy is complete and now the last step is to choose pictures to be added to the website.

**Resource Committee:** No Report

**Retention Committee:** No report

**New/Other business:** None

**Public Comment:** - Kate Galambos had a comment regarding the recent storms and the issues with the trees located in town.

**Motion to adjourn 9:01.** Motion Al Canosa and second by Bill O'Brien.

Perry Maresca  
 Chairman  
 Branford Economic Development Commission

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Elena Cahill · 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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