

TOWN OF MONTVILLE
Economic Development Commission
Regular Meeting Agenda – May 18, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.
Virtual

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The meeting was informational as a quorum was not present.

- 1) Call to Order
Chairman Hewitt began the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Roll Call
Commissioners present were Christopher Napierski, Jim Toner, and Chairman Walter Hewitt. Also present were Town Planner Marcia Vlaun and Tiffany Williams meeting coordinator. Commissioners Mickey Gillette, Heather Harris, Sheelagh Lapinski and Town Council Liaison Colleen Rix were absent. A quorum was not present.
- 4) Alterations to the Agenda – *No action*
- 5) Remarks from the Public regarding items on the Agenda (3-minute limit)
Chairman Hewitt asked three (3) times for remarks. There were none.
- 6) To Consider and Act on a Motion to approve:
 - i) The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2019 – *No action*
- 7) Unfinished Business
 - a) Montville real-estate properties for development.--. *No action*
 - i) James M. Gillanders, Londregan Commercial Real Estate Group – 3 properties. – *No action*
 - ii) Land Use Workshop 4/29, 5/13 SCCOG -- (To be rescheduled due to Corona Virus) -- *No action*
 - b) Mohegan Tribe and our request for contact information regarding retention of businesses vacating the casino – Bill Caron -- *No action*
 - c) New Business Report -- *No action*
 - d) Business Survey – Heather -- *No action*
 - e) Chamber Business After Hours – Heather. -- *No action*
 - f) Groton - Roadmap of Groton EDC Initiatives. -- *No action*
- 8) New Business
 - a) Groton Incentives -- *No action*
 - b) Montville Plan of Conservation and Development – Waiting on Census update per Marcia Town Planner Vlaun reported an extension was requested for the Plan that would be revisited mid-summer.
 - c) Pandemic and EDC Process

9) Town Planner Vlaun apprised the Commission on Governor Lamont's requirements per his executive regarding concerning restaurant outdoor dining and how it has/will be implemented by local restaurants. She stated Planning & Zoning had the ability to fast-track any business who wanted to open per the Governor's phased approach and that the Department was here to support those businesses. She said regulatory measures were being conducted in a same-day one-stop shopping manner stating the Department was open to help people stay in business and to keep employees. Town Planner Vlaun spoke about the status of Town businesses considered essential per the Governor's directive.

10) Report from Town Council Liaison – *No report*

11) Remarks from the Public (3-minute limit)

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12) Remarks from the Commissioners and Town Council Liaison -- *None*

13) Townspeople and Business Feedback

a) Proposed Recipients for Business Recognition Award – *No action*

14) Adjournment

The meeting ended at 7:59 p.m.