**Town of East Hampton**

Brownfields Redevelopment Agency

Monday, April 24, 2017

Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.

East Hampton High School T-Bell

DRAFT MINUTES

**Present:** Carla Sylvester, Scott Bristol, Kay Willson, William DeMore, Daniel Wolfram, Mary Ann Dostaler

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Sylvester called the meeting to order at 7:12 P.M.. The agenda was adopted.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Regular Meeting, March 27, 2017:** Ms. Dostaler made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Bristol. Voted 5-0 in favor, with 1 abstention from Mr. Wolfram.

**Special Meeting, April 5, 2017:** Ms. Dostaler made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Willson. Voted 6-0 in favor.

**Public Comment:** None

**Town Staff Reports:** Chairperson Sylvester stated that she had spoken with Town Manager Maniscalco regarding any possible contract issues with 13 Watrous Street. Mr. Maniscalco was not aware of any updates at that time. In regards to a request for a staff report on 13 Watrous St., Ms. Dostaler will compile a list of questions regarding that property, which will be circulated for comment to Agency members.

**Continued Business:**

**DECD STEAP Grant Project Update (13 Watrous Street):** Wiese is waiting for the State to approve their CHRO paperwork. Because from what Anchor has stated to us, they are not compliant with their submittals without this piece of paperwork, therefore the town has not paid them and as a result Wiese is holding off on performing further work on the flowing water pipe and finishing up the site. Mr. Wolfram will check into Wiese’s paperwork status with the State.

Chairperson Sylvester is trying to meet with Anchor to discuss PCB sampling of the soil. It was made clear that water is still flowing through the pipe at the site. Mr. Bristol provided photos and video taken this day at 13 Watrous, in which the water is audible.

**Grant Opportunities:** Chairperson Sylvester reached out to Jack Solomon, Chairperson of the Economic Development Commission, and suggested they meet together and that the Brownfields Agency is happy to be involved if the EDC reaches out to the Village Center business owners.

There was discussion on future grant opportunities, pros/cons of possible properties in the Village Center, and questions that can be asked of the Town. Mr. Bristol suggested that the town needs a plan, including for water, for the Center’s future. Water access was discussed and an update on the current water access negotiations was requested.

The following were suggested as questions for the Town Manager:

* What is the status on discussions of bringing water supply to the Village Center?
* Regarding 1 Watrous St.: what is the status of litigation and when could the Town consider doing something with the property?
* Is 13 Summit St. condemned? If so, what does that mean for the Town?

**New Business:** Mr. Bristol mentioned that he met the owner of 4 Starr Place, who accesses water from the dug well at 13 Watrous St. He would be happy if the Town was able to provide him with a well. This led to a discussion on the wells and water access in the area, and if it is possible to dig wells there or extend the water main down the street. If a well were dug at 4 Starr Place, the well at 13 Watrous could be filled in. Mr. Bristol will reach out to Don Mitchell, Chatham Health District Director, about this. There was discussion on whether or not there will be enough residual grant funds to aid in this mission and whether funds could be used for that purpose. Mr. Wolfram will reach out to Christine Marques at DECD to see if this is feasible.

**Public Comment (pertaining to current agenda items only):** None

**Confirm next meeting (May 22, 2017):** Confirmed – Meeting will be held at the High School.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Bristol moved and Mr. DeMore seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M. Voted 6-0 in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Eliza LoPresti, Recording Clerk