

**Submitted by Jack Hunter**

**Minutes of 6.7.17 Hudson Economic Development Commission Meeting 6:30 pm.**

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Hudson Town Hall.

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Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

**Members present:** Don Garcia, Sarah Cressey, Chris Tibbals, Tom Davis, Chuck Randall & Bill Sullivan.

Others present: Carol Barry, Radant Technologies; Jack Hunter (Director of Planning & Community Development)

Members absent Matt Tucker, Mike DiBona and Hugh Gardner

**Appointment: Radant Technologies**

Carol Barry from Radant Technologies introduced their company to EDC. It is their intention to lease 3 Bonnazoli Drive and to invest over 1.9 million dollars in building improvements and 3 million dollars in equipment with 70-80 jobs of which 30 will be new. They also plan on relocating their Clinton operations eventually to Hudson.

In order to make their move more attractive, they are looking for a TIF from the town and possible other incentives from the State.

Carol handed out the proposed TIF agreement for the EDC to review.

On a motion by Mr. Randall, seconded by Mr. Sullivan the EDC voted unanimously to recommend their full support of the proposed TIF for Radant Technologies to the Board of Selectman.

Mr. Garcia welcomed them to Hudson and wished them luck in the future.

**Cherry Street Extension**

Mr. Hunter reviewed past efforts to have an extension built from Cherry Street to Main Street. He then introduced Tim Doherty and a representative from Downing Electric whom he and Bill Sullivan have been working on to see if now was the right time to try again with this effort.

Both abutters are excited about the possibility of this connection and they both see it as an incentive to the success of their business investment on Cherry Street.

It is estimated that it will cost 66,000 to get shovel ready plans completed.

Members noted some of the difficulties they had in the past and suggested when the time is right a neighborhood meeting would be in order.

Mr. Doherty volunteered to meet with DPW to get their thoughts on such a project and to see if they can bring any resources to this plan.

### **Town Updates**

**Downtown Rotary** – Mr. Hunter noted now that Town Meeting had allocated monies for South Street improvements and they may be applying for a Mass Works grant for both projects.

**Washington Street Bridge** – Mr. Hunter noted that the bridge is ahead of schedule and full closure is scheduled for the end of the month

**Comprehensive rezoning** – Mr. Hunter mentioned that RKG Associates has done a first draft critique of our current zoning and will be having their first meeting with our steering committee at the end of the month.

**Minutes – 3.13.17** – On a motion by Mr. Tibbals, seconded by Mr. Randall the minutes of 3.13.17 were unanimously approved.

### **Adjourn**

Meeting unanimously adjourned at 7:52 pm.