

Town of Stonington  
Economic Development Commission  
Special Meeting  
June 24, 2010

Members Present: Dan Barber, Ed dear, Blunt White, Ed Planeta, Wendy Bury, Ed Hart, and Paul Burgess. Members Absent: Dan Oliverio, Gary Bennett, John Delmhorst

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Blunt White at 7:09PM. The minutes of the May 20, 2010 were accepted as modified to include the comments of Ed Hart regarding the EDC investigate alternate uses for the Coogan Farm property.

Old Business: Wendy Bury reported on the Web Site traffic, and stated that there had been 217 visits with one firm making 30 visits. First Selectman Haberek will contact this company.

Chairman White reported that The P&Z Commission will discuss the proposed Signage Regulations at their July meetings; the Chairman requested that EDC members attend the meetings.

Wendy Bury reported that she had met with Paul Altman The SEAT coordinator regarding the SEAT 10 schedule format. Wendy and Trish (Mystic Chamber) will explore with SEAT the possibility of Saturday service.

Wendy Bury reported that Solutions for Stonington will hold a meeting of all Non-Profits in Stonington 7/7/10 at 7:30 - 8:45 AM in the Lagrua Center for the purpose of reporting out the deliverable for the group.

New Business: Town Tax Assessor Marsha Standish presented a comprehensive analysis of the proposed Fixed Fee Assessment Agreement delineating the statutory requirements and history of previous tax abatements granted by the town.

First Selectman Haberek reported on the meetings that resulted in the agreement.

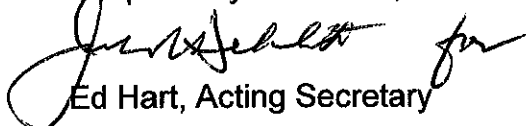
Ed Hart asked the First Selectmen to explain the agreement process.

Chairman White opened the meeting to comments from the public. There was question as why the company was leaving Groton. Dan Barber explained that the renovation would result in a class A office building.

Ed Dear made a motion that The EDC endorse the Fixed Fee Assessment Agreement as presented. During discussion Ed Hart stated that he would vote no unless the period tax abatement was reduced from 7 to 5 years. Chairman White and Dan Barber recused themselves from the vote. The vote proceeded and was 4 in favor and 1 against.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Ed Hart, Acting Secretary