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Economic Development
ETV, 230 Main Street, East Haven, CT
Thursday, February 8, 2024 7:00P.M.

Meeting Minutes

1. Call meeting to order- Roll Call

Chairwoman Lorrie Maiorano called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call taken by Chairwoman Lorrie Maiorano.

Present: Chairwoman Lorrie Maiorano, Commissioner Steve DeLucia, Commissioner Judy Mison, Commissioner Mohan Chugani.

Absent: Commissioner, John Tarducci

Also Present: Michelle Benivegna, Town of East Haven Economic Development Director.

2. Pledge of allegiance

All stand for pledge.

3. Approval of past minutes January 11, 2024

Chairwoman Maiorano asked if everyone had a chance to review meetings from the last meeting on January 11, 2024. Commissioner DeLucia made a motion to approve the minutes, Commissioner Mison seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carries.

4. Correspondence

None

5. Director's report

Michelle Benivegna introduced new Economic Development Commissioner, Judy Mison. Commissioner Mison provided a brief history about herself, how she came to live in East Haven and her reason for wanting to be part of the Economic Development Commission.

Michelle Benivegna announced the dates for the spring, summer and fall events in East Haven. These events bring hundreds to thousands to our town and they are important economic drivers.

Farmers market – kicks off June 16th and will run until October 13th on the town green Sunday's 8-1. Anyon interested in the market is welcome to call the mayor's office for more info.

Summer concert series kicks off on Sunday, June 23rd from 6-8pm. Food trucks and music on the town green. The concerts will run until Aug. 25th

East Haven Fireworks will be held on Saturday, June 29th with a rain date of July 1st.

Annual Fall Festival Sept. 6,7 & 8th

Michelle Benivegna provided a update from the Regular Meeting of the East Haven Planning and Zoning Commission that was held on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 7:00 PM held at the East Haven Senior Center. The actions are listed below:

Application No. 23-24 – on behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission. A Petition for a Text Amendment to the East Haven Zoning Regulations to allow registered Family Child Care Homes and Group Child Care Homes to be treated in the same manner as a single or multi-family dwelling. APPROVED

Application No. 22-07 – on behalf of the East Haven Planning and Zoning Commission. A Petition for a Text Amendment to the East Haven Zoning Regulations to complete the draft revision from 2019, proposing some changes, and proposing a new format. CONTINUED to the March 6, 2024 meeting.

Application No. 23-26 – on behalf of Basil Waite, 912 Foxon Road. An Application for a Site Plan Review to locate a food service establishment within an existing commercial space. APPROVED with a condition.

Application No. 24-01 – on behalf of W. J. Dornfeld Co., Inc., 78 Saltonstall Parkway.

Chairwoman Maiorano and Commissioner DeLucia provided an update to the commission about the East Haven Chamber of Commerce events:

Business Afterhours dates: (both business and the public are invited to attend)

February 20th at Transylvania Restaurant

March 19th at Cabernet on Main

Chamber Annual Dinner on May 16th held at Amarante's Sea Cliff in New Haven

Annual Golf Tournament to benefit the Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Fund on June 21st

Lobsterpalooza at Anothony's Ocean View on August 21st

The Chamber is recreating their directory and are going with a new vendor. They will be creating both a magazine format as well as a digital one. Stay tuned for more info on that.

Chairwoman Lorrie Maiorano asked to have a motion to approve the Director's Report. Commissioner DeLucia made a motion to approve the Director's Report, Commissioner Mison seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carries

6. Other new business to come before the commission

None

7. Public comment

None

8. Adjournment

Chairwoman Lorrie Maiorano asked to have a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Delucia made the motion, Commissioner Chugani seconded the motion. No abstentions, none opposed, motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Benivegna

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Economic Development Director