

Regular Meeting Minutes...draft

Chaplin Economic and Community Development Commission February 10, 2021 at 6:30 pm, remotely

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Members present :Schein, Ricklin, Siege, Lewis, Kalisher, Chuk and Lewis. Guest noted: Christina Hammon. Absent: Torin from Sustainable Ct.

Meeting was called to order, by Schein, Chair, at 6:34PM

Temporary Secretary: Virginia Siege

Approve Minutes of January 13, 2021. Leslie moved to approve the minutes, as amended to delete December minutes from the copy. Amy seconded the motion which was then carried by all members present.

Survey Discussion: Amy briefly reviewed 40 of the 50 of the 2020 Survey results: Chaplin's Cultural Future., which showed a strong interest for Art and Culture.

Audience for Citizens: Christina Hammon, who is a Chaplin resident Artist, was introduced by Amy. Christina offered to volunteer her time to write an outline to carry out a juried art show, likely coordinated with local artists. Schein suggested using the Chaplin Senior Center and Library for exhibits. Christina was thanked for her time by the Committee.

Bicentennial update: Leslie announced there will be a Bicentennial reenactment on July 2, 2022 directed by Sydney Dubitsky. Displayed will be a copy of the petition sent to the Legislature dated May 22, 1822.

Signage: The Town has purchased, and will erect, a digital sign at the Firehouse, with most of it paid for by a grant. We will recommend guidelines for use regarding who can post, how long, and how late.

Old Business: A subject of concern was discussed regarding the Committee's continued commitment to the need for continued plans for Senior/Affordable housing in the town. Schein informed the group that the work being conducted by the Regional Council of Government to write our affordable housing plan and get it into the Plan of Conservation and development, is the first step to qualify for funding. We have emphasized, and the data shows, it is the senior population in our town in most need of affordable housing.

Pollinator Project : Helen Weingart and Ricklin will report at the next meeting on the progress.

Next Meeting is March 10, 2022 by a gotomeeting

Schein adjourned the meeting at 7:29PM

Respectfully submitted, Virginia Siege. Temporary Secretary