

MINUTES
GRANBY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Monday, September 8, 2014
7:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Marty Schwager, Jim Caldwell, Matt Garrett, Dan O'Connell and Ken Kuhl. Fran Armentano, Director of Community Development was also in attendance.

The meeting opened at 7:02 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

The members discussed the minutes of the June 9, 2014 meeting. On a motion by Matt Garrett, seconded by Dan O'Connell the Commission approved the minutes of the June 9, 2014 meeting. All approved.

Fran Armentano discussed the recent report from the Earth Excavation and Removal Subcommittee. The proposed changes to Section 9 of the Zoning Regulations along with the process required to amend the Zoning Regulations were discussed.

The members discussed the economic climate, particularly building activity and home sales. They also discussed the closing of Family Hardware in the Bank Street plaza and the new addition that was recently completed at Beman's Hardware. Vacant commercial space was identified and discussed.

The members were updated on the Greenway Apartments, approved for property on Mill Pond Drive. There is no new information to report and construction continues to be delayed.

The owner of the Old Oak Tavern has begun to make repairs and the property is for sale or rent. The matter was discussed.

The members discussed the summer activities that occurred in regards to the Holcomb Farm. The new building and parking lot has been approved. The building is under construction and should be open for events this coming spring.

The members spent the remaining time discussing an application for a 2015 STEAP grant. Various ideas were discussed. The BOS has authorized an application that would propose improvements to the Town Center, including access to the park, additional sidewalks and traditional street lighting. Lighting around the green area was discussed and supported. The possibility of extending the bike trail north on Route 10 to Hunt Glen was discussed as was the possibility of adding sidewalks and street lighting to Mill Pond Drive. Fran will be working with Town Manager, Bill Smith, Jr. to determine the final details of an application.

The meeting ended at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Armentano
Acting Recording Secretary