GRISWOLD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION & ROUND TABLE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 20, 2019
GRISWOLD TOWN HALL – FIRST FLOOR MEETING ROOM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chairman T. Giard asked all present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag.

I. REGULAR MEETING (7:00 P.M.)

1. Call to Order

Chairman T. Giard called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Thomas Giard, Vice Chairman James Barnie, Kenneth Bousquet
Charlotte Geer, Paul Lach, First Town Planner Mario Tristany and Recording Secretary
Kate Lacasse
Interested People: 5
Absent: Kenneth Bousquet

3. Determination of Quorum

Chairman T. Giard determined that a quorum of the Commission was seated.

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 16, 2019

- Chairman T. Giard asked if there were any corrections and/or omissions. Hearing
  none a motion was made.

- MOTION: J. Barnie made a motion, which was seconded by C. Geer, to approve
  the minutes of the October 16, 2019 Regular Meeting. The motion passed
  unanimously.

5. Public Comment
• Deb Loser of the Griswold Historical Society distributed informational brochures that have been recently created. D. Loser stated the brochures need a little work, this is a first draft, and requested the Economic Development Commissions input.

• Ed Burdick of 638 Voluntown Road, stated he wanted to make the Commission aware that he plans to go before the Finance Board and Board of Selectmen, requesting funding be put in place for signage at the end of the highway off ramps.

6. Correspondence

7. Matters Presented for Consideration

A. J.R Flagg Route 164 – Update

• T. Giard stated the property has not yet been purchased.

• M. Tristany stated the site plans may be revised to have a septic tank on the site as opposed to using public utilities.

• T. Giard stated due to the setback, the project won’t break ground until spring.

B. Heritage River Village Project – Route 164 project update

• Chairman T. Giard stated it looks as though the project may have found the financing their looking for.

C. Titan, LLC- Proposed 110 unit Assisted Living & Memory Care Facility 134 Preston Road (Rt. 164).

• Town Planner M. Tristany stated, he hasn’t received a recent update.

D. Infrastructure on Route 164 – Update

• Town Planner M. Tristany stated he is awaiting a decision from the U.S.D.A on the grant application that has been submitted. The application is looking favorable.

• Discussion ensued.

E. Green Earth – 235 East Main Street, PWC Site – Update

• M. Tristany stated DEEP remediation permits have been approved for the site, remediation of the site should start soon.

F. Discussion regarding property on Route 164.

• T. Giard asked the commission if they would agree to support Mr. Grillo’s application to the Planning and Zoning Commission requesting his property become zoned Commercial.

• MOTION: C. Geer made a motion which was seconded by T. Giard to support Mr. Grillo. P. Lach and J. Barmie voted no. Motion failed.
8. Other Matters

9. Adjournment

Chairman T. Giard asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

- **MOTION:** C. Geer made a motion, which was seconded by P. Lach, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Lacasse
Recording Secretary