

TAUNTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

MEETING MINUTES

July 27, 2022 at 4 pm

Taunton City Hall, 15 Summer Street, Taunton
Silver City Conference Room, 2nd floor

Members Present:

Ed Correira
Manuel Spencer
Chris Coute

Members Absent:

Jeff Pagliuca
Larry Silvia

William Roth, OECD/TRA Ex. Director, was also in attendance.

Dennis Ackerman, Consultant to the TRA, was also in attendance.

Call to Order at 4:11 pm: A quorum was present.

Item number 1: Review and approve the minutes of June 22, 2022.

Mr. Coute motioned to approve the minutes of June 22, 2022 and was seconded by Mr. Spencer. There were no corrections. Motion passed unanimously.

Item number 2: Update on URP, discussion on Citizen Advisory committee, next steps:

Mr. Spencer presented a list of potential members that he has spoken to that would be willing to participate.

Mr. Ackerman discussed who he had reached out to that were interested. He reached out to Ken Patel, Lou Goldstein, Bike Church owners, Loui Freitas, Pool Silver owners and Eric Lee Brumley. He said he would put the list together with contact information. He also mentioned that the Biker Church owners were willing to host community meetings.

General discussion on the lists were discussed.

Item number 3: Update on Director's insurance

Mr. Roth indicated that he contacted a second insurance agent from Allen Walker. However, the first agent we received a quote from had reached out to the same underwriters that they use so they were unable to provide a quote. Mr. Roth recommended going with the existing quote.

Mr. Coute motioned to have a formal contract prepared for TRA's signature and was seconded by Mr. Spencer. There were no corrections. Motion passed unanimously.

Item number 4: Other Business

Mr. Coute discussed the City's recent tax taking of Bacon Felt, and planned taking of Whittenton Mills, and wanted to know if the TRA could assist the City, or take over the properties for future disposition or development of the properties.

Discussion on the issue was had by the members and staff. Mr. Roth brought up the idea of looking at smaller City Tax taking parcels that the TRA could be given, so the TRA could do the necessary pre-development work and sell for the City. Mr. Coute requested that a list be presented to the TRA at the next meeting.

Mr. Correira discussed that he had met with the Pool Silver owners and was working on setting up a meeting with a potential developer.

Mr. Roth mentioned that there was a meeting on August 16th with Ted Landmark for Northeastern to discuss future planning projects that his students could work on for the TRA.

Item number 5: - Next Meeting

The next meeting will be August 24, 2022.

A motion was then made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William D. Roth, Jr.,
Executive Director, TRA