

# MINUTES

## NORTH HAVEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Commission held electronically on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

### **Members Present:**

First Selectman, Michael J. Freda, Stephen Fontana, Richard LoPresti, Frank Maher, Walter Mann, Christine Reardon, Alan Sturtz, Robert Zambrano

### **Absent:**

Deb Moore

### **Also Present:**

Valerie Goodkin, Assistant to First Selectman  
Barbara Malmberg,  
Ginny Kozlowski

Mr. Freda welcomed everyone and commented that biannually following a municipal election our Charter requires all of our Elected and Appointed Boards and Commissions to elect a chairman, vice chairman and secretary overseen by the First Selectman.

Mr. LoPresti motioned with a second by Mr. Fontana for the nomination of Walter Mann as Chairman.

### **VOTE: All in favor**

Mr. LoPresti motioned with a second from Mr. Mann for the nomination of Robert Zambrano as Vice Chairman.

### **VOTE: All in favor**

Mr. Zambrano motioned with a second by Mr. Fontana for the nomination of Frank Maher as Secretary.

### **VOTE: All in favor**

Chairman Walter Mann called the meeting to order at 8:35 am and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2021 meeting.

### **VOTE: Freda – yes; Fontana – yes; LoPresti – yes; Maher – yes; Sturtz – yes; Zambrano – yes; Mann – abstain; Reardon – abstain.**

Mr. Mann invited Barbara Malmberg and Ginny Kozlowki of Rex Development to provide the 2022 CEDS (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy) Annual Report and Performance Update as well as the 2023-2028 5 year CEDS.

Following their presentation, Mr. Mann and several other Commission members had questions and comments regarding the CEDS.

Mr. Freda provided a brief summary of several economic development projects in town and answered several questions from the Commission members.

There being no Commission member updates, Mr. Mann moved onto old business. The Commission discussed the potential for an upcoming EDC Breakfast determining that a spring breakfast would still be unadvisable due to COVID. The members discussed potential locations, including the Best Western, Quinnipiac University and Cinemark. Ms. Reardon suggested the possibility of an outdoor event held under the large tent at the schools as a potential option for the late spring.

With no new business before the Commission, Mr. Fontana motioned with a second by Mr. Zambrano to adjourn at 9:46 am.

**VOTE: All in favor**