

**MINUTES OF MEETING
ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
April 3, 2023**

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A meeting of the Economic & Development Committee was held on Monday April 3, 2023. This was a hybrid meeting held both in person and electronically via ZOOM. The meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM by Ted Stevens, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ted Stevens, Chair; Sarah Gallagher; Paula Irvin; Laurie Sweet; Cory O'Brien; Bob Anthony

MEMBERS ABSENT: Justin Farmer

Public Input: None

The following items were addressed:

1. Appointment of John J. Keegan to the Economic Development Commission for a term to expire January 31, 2026 (D-6)

--Moved by Mr. Stevens and seconded by Ms. Sweet.

A vote was taken. The item passed unanimously.

2. Resolution adopting the 2023 SCRCOG Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

--Moved by Mr. Stevens and seconded by Mr. Anthony and Ms. Gallagher. DISCUSSION: Mr. Anthony asked does this cost us any money? Town Planner Eugene Livshits explained the item. This effort is being led by South Central Council of Regional Governments as a multi-jurisdiction hazard mitigation plan involving all municipalities in the region. It does not cost the town any money. Hamden has had a plan in place since 2010. The current plan expires in 2023. New FEMA requirements go into effect on April 19. This should be adopted before then based on previous requirements, otherwise it will have to be re-done to take into account new requirements. The plan has been accepted by FEMA pending municipal adoption. It evaluates hazards and strategies on how to

make the town more resilient. It can be revised if necessary. Mr. Anthony asked as long as one municipality signs, others have a year to join, correct? Mr. Livshits said yes, but our plan expires in August and we lose eligibility if not adopted by then. Mr. Anthony wants to ensure people will be covered in a catastrophic event. Mr. Livshits indicated there are different pots of money that FEMA can fund from, but this plan will help ensure that Hamden is in compliance and able to receive funding. Mr. Stevens thanked Mr. Livshits and Town Engineer Mr. White and other planning staff for their work in getting this done.

A vote was taken. The item passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta, Clerk
Rose Lion, Secretary
for Ted Stevens, Chair