

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
GRA Regular Meeting – May 16, 2018
115 Pleasant Street, Gardner, MA 01440
2ND Floor Annex—Robert L. Hubbard Conference Room

Members present: Ronald Cormier-*Chairman* Neil Janssens, Timothy Horrigan, M. Paul Carlberg, Paul Tassone, and Trevor Beauregard.

Members absent: *None.*

Also present: Maribel Cruz, and Christine Fucile.

❖ ANNOUNCEMENT - Any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting, or may transmit the meeting through any medium, subject to reasonable requirements of the Chair as to the number, placement and operation of equipment used so as not to interfere with the conduct of the **meeting**. Any person intending to make such recording shall notify the Chair forthwith. All Documents referenced or used during the meeting must be submitted in duplicate to the Director of Community Development & Planning pursuant to the Open Meeting and Public Records Law. All documents shall become part of the official record of the meeting.

Call to Order:

Mr. Cormier, Chairman, called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. Minutes:

✓ Vote to Approve Regular Meeting of April 11, 2018.

Motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

P. Tassone/T. Horrigan.

Vote – All in favor.

2. Old Business – Updates:

2.1 Downtown Urban Renewal Plan:

Derby Drive:

T. Beauregard noted this project is anticipated to be completed by the end of May, but if not, sometime in June.

T. Beauregard also noted a change-order is needed to continue the “block” wall along the multi-use path.

R. Cormier suggested a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Maki Block:

Since its completion, R. Cormier said he has received many positive comments on how nice it looks.

Parker Street Properties (#32, 42-50 and 52):

Nothing new to report

2.2 140 South Main Street:

Testing continues as well as nothing new to report.

2.3 Industrial Park Study:

T. Beauregard stated he is working to gain access to some of the parcels.

2.4 Summit Industrial Park:

Nothing new to report.

3. New Business:

3.1 Financials for Accounts and Investments

→ Financials:

T. Beauregard noted Norm Wironen is retiring, and will be handing over the GRA account to Ryan Laliberte. P. Tassone suggested having Mr. Laliberte attend a meeting, and all members were in agreement.

Motion to accept April, 2018 financials as presented.

T. Horrigan/P. Carlberg.

Vote - All in favor.

4. Announcements~~Notices~~Articles~~Special Events:

→ *Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.*

→ *Chamber Events:*

- ▶ *Business After Hours at Johnson Controls on Thursday, May 24, 2018 from 5:15-7:15 p.m.*
- ▶ *Farewell Reception/Jim Bellina on Thursday, May 31, 2018 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.*
- ▶ *Business After Hours at Wachusett Brewery on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.*
- ▶ *Substance Abuse on Tuesday, June 19, 2018.*
- ▶ *MEDC event on Thursday, June 21, 2018 from 3:00-6:00 p.m.*

Adjournment

Executive Session (if required)

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss and vote on possible real estate transactions as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the GRA, and potential and ongoing legal issues, and not to reconvene in open session.

P. Tassone/T. Horrigan.

Vote- All in favor.

Roll Call Vote:

R. Cormier, yes; P. Tassone, yes; N. Janssens, yes; T. Horrigan, yes; P. Carlberg, yes.

Count – 5 yes.

The GRA went into Executive Session at 8:25 a.m.

All documents referenced or used during the meeting are part of the official record and are available in the Gardner Redevelopment Authority office, Gardner City Hall Annex, Room 201, pursuant to the Open Meeting and Public Records Law.

