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WATERFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
January 11, 2024
WATERFORD TOWN HALL – LOUISE T. APPLEBY ROOM
5:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Guy Russo, Kathleen Mullen-Kohl, James Nicholas
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Edward Lusher, Chairman, Michael Buscetto
ALTERNATES PRESENT:	Julie Greco
STAFF PRESENT:	Jonathan E. Mullen, AICP, Planning Director, Mark Wujtewicz, Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER/APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

G. Russo, Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. J. Greco was seated for E. Lusher.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 14, 2023 meeting

MOTION: Motion made by K. Mullen-Kohl, seconded by J. Greco, to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2023 meeting.

VOTE: 4-0

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION: Motion made by K. Mullen-Kohl, seconded by J. Greco to table the election of officers for the next scheduled meeting.

VOTE: 4-0

4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY UPDATE

J. Mullen updated the Commission on the potential to redirect the funding previously allocated for the EDS to assist in working on a conceptual comprehensive plan for the redevelopment of the Crystal Mall. He stated that he has had discussions with E. Lusher, Chair and that he agreed to reallocate the funds. He updated the Commission on the status of cooperation between the parties involved in the Crystal Mall ownership and that there is an opportunity to establish a comprehensive conceptual plan for the Mall which would focus on a mixed use approach that could include housing, office, restaurant, recreation and limited retail. It was the consensus of the Commission that the repurpose and redevelopment of the Crystal Mall Crystal Mall is a top priority in the interest of Economic Development for the Town.

MOTION: Motion made by G. Russo, seconded by J. Greco to redirect the funds from the creation of the EDS to support a conceptual comprehensive plan for the redevelopment of the Crystal Mall.

VOTE: 4-0

5. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion made by J. Greco, seconded by K. Mullen-Kohl, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm.

VOTE: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Wujtewicz
Planner