Chaplin Community and Economic Development Commission Minutes

July 10, 2019

Irene Schein called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. Members present were Irene Schein (chair), Ann Chuk, Ann Lewis, Leslie Ricklin, Virginia Siege, and Josh Walmsley. Normandy Avery, fellow with Sustainable CT, attended the meeting as a guest.

Ms. Schein asked to have the minutes of the previous meeting approved. Ms. Chuk moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 12, 2019. Ms. Ricklin seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

The committee reviewed the suggestions made at the Commission's Meet and Greet for Chaplin Businesses that was held on 6/12/19. Plans were discussed to proceed with some of those suggestions including recruiting someone to lead a marketing workshop; recruiting someone to give a talk on bees and beekeeping at the library; and producing a brochure with maps of Chaplin tourist, cultural, and business assets.

Normandy Avery from Sustainable CT reviewed how some of Chaplin's accomplishments and assets can be entered into Chaplin's Sustainable CT account for points toward certification. Some examples discussed were documentation of Chaplin's brownfield sites, a previous natural resources inventory, and creating a rain garden. Ms. Schein also suggested items that might qualify would be the recent composting talk, the flyer on recycling, recent initiation of paint recycling, and the senior center handicapped entrance. Normandy offered to assist the Commission with getting some of these accomplishments entered into Sustainable CT and the Commission eagerly accepted her offer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm
Respectfully submitted,
Ann Lewis