

**Preston Redevelopment Agency
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 26, 2021
Teleconference Call
7:00 pm**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/ Quorum

Chairman Nugent called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Sean Nugent (SN)
James Bell (JB)
Joseph Biber (JB*i*) – arrived at 7:20 pm
Robert Congdon (RC)
Sandra Allyn-Gauthier (S A-G)
Merrill Gerber (MG)
Bill Legler (BL)

Roberta Charpentier (recorder) stated Per Lamont’s Executive Order 7b, Participants are reminded to state your name and title before speaking. Please help us make this conference call as useful as possible by keeping your phone on mute when not speaking. We are keeping the line open to all participants by default, but if background noise becomes a problem, we will mute all participants. Also note that we will be recording this meeting to comply with open meeting requirements.

2. Acceptance of the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2021

**A motion was made by BL and seconded by JB to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2021 as presented.
All in favor. Motion carries.**

3. Communication

JB

Mike Diversa
Jim Olson
Jim Corley, Public works Manager

S A-G

Attorney Bruce Chudwick – email

BL

Kathy Warzecha – email
Nancy Musa - email

SN

Charlie Duffy – telephone
Nancy Musa – email
Catherine Labadia – email
Tracy Rosiene - email
Attorney Bruce Chudwick – email, telephone

Tighe & Bond – email
Paul Tresnan, Mohegan Tribe – email, telephone
Representative Mike France – email, telephone
Jim Corley, Public works Manager - email, personal communication

4. Administration – SN

- Charlie Duffy – would like to introduce interested developers to the Tribe
- R. Congdon noted that he has known Charlie for 25 years. He was an influential lobbyist when the Mashantucket Tribe first got going. He is a very well connected upstanding guy.
- Nancy Musa sent an email informing all Boards and Commissions that Town Hall will re-open June 1st and resume in person meetings.
 - Catherine Labadia, State Historic Preservation Officer saw the Town's storm water permit and wanted to remind the PRA about the archaeological work.
 - Tracy Rosiene sent an email indicating that the next Pipeline article is due June 30th

5. 1st Selectwoman – S. A-G

- Public Hearing was held last week; both budgets moved forward
- In person meetings will resume June 1st
- Indoor universal mask requirements

6. Task Group Activity

a) Funding - JB

- Nothing to report

b) Finance – BL

- Monthly expense: \$1298.19
- YTD expense: \$13,153.63
- YTD balance: \$100,121.37

c) Site Operations/Site Clean Up – SN

- FAP status;

using loan vs grant first

negative pledge and use restriction is a concern for the Tribe

Tribe wants to use escrow used for more than parcel 4 and 6

Time change for forgiveness for job creation

Amended PDDA needed. Attorney Chudwick is working on an outline.

- Addendum to RAP being worked on by Tighe & Bond
- BoS approved the Covanta conflict waiver
- Took Public Works Manager Jim Corley on a tour of the Riverwalk property.
- Meeting with EDA to learn more about the Mohegan Pequot Bridge

7. New Business

Executive Director of SeCTer is stepping down in June.
SN is on the search committee
40 applications have been received

8. Public Comment

None

9. Adjournment

A motion was made by BL and seconded by JB to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm.

All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

RT Charpentier

Roberta Charpentier
Preston recording secretary