

# Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA)

## Sixtieth Meeting

Wednesday, January 16, 2019 – 4:01 P.M.

### Proceedings:

The CRA meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m. with Chairman Crary presiding. Roll was called with Donna Crary, Chairman; Mike McGowan, CRA Member; and Brian Keys, CRA Member present. Robert Love, Deputy Director of the Department of Economic and Community Development; Christian Pulley, Director of the Department of Economic and Community Development; Leigha Steele, Economic Development Coordinator; and Larry Taub, City Solicitor were also in attendance. Jamal Lee joined the meeting at 4:13 p.m.

- Approval of the minutes of the CRA closed session minutes of October 7, 2018 was tabled until next meeting.
- Motion to approve CRA meeting minutes of November 29<sup>th</sup>, Mike McGowan motioned, Brian Keys seconded. Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

### New Business:

- Electric Charging Station – Robert Love
  - Part of the City of Laurel's green initiatives the City would like to install electric vehicle charging stations
  - The Electric Vehicle Institute installs and maintains the charging stations for free up to 5 years. The City would have to pay for the electricity only.
  - EVI level 3 is a fast charger (15-20 minute charging time) that has to be placed in a public space. The CRA parking lot was thought of as a possible location for this type of charger.
  - Many jurisdictions offer free charging for the first year of the program after the stations are installed
  - A possibility is to offer a voucher program for free charging with a purchase made from a Main Street business.
  - The charging stations would bring more people to the Main Street area and support the electric car lifestyle.
  - Robert Love will keep the Committee updated with any additional information as it comes along.

The CRA adjourned into closed session at 4:18 p.m. to consider the acquisition of real property and to consult with legal counsel.

The CRA reconvened the regular meeting at 4:38 p.m.

- Chairman Crary will end a thank you note on the behalf of the CRA to Adirondack Trees for trimming the trees
- CRA members should continue to look for any auctions or foreclosed properties around the Main Street area

Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

The CRA Meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.