

Gilbert and Bennett Wire Mill Advisory Committee

Unapproved Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 8, 2023

6:00 PM In person and via Zoom

Present:

Committee Members: Chairperson Amy Atamian, David Pattee, First Selectwoman, Julia Pemberton (Zoom and in-person), Dr. Dan Barrett, Attorney Pam Elkow, Regina O'Brien, Tracy Kulikowski, Richard Wenning (via Zoom), and Matt Lecher (via Zoom)

Tighe & Bond: Jim Olsen (via Zoom)

Members of the public.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

A Zoom recording was made for this meeting.

1. Selection of Recording Secretary for the meeting.

Chair Atamian designated Tracy Kulikowski to take minutes.

2. Minutes

The May 11, 2023 Minutes were accepted as presented. The May 22, 2023 Minutes were accepted, with corrections noted.

3. Tighe & Bond Presentation

Jim Olsen provided a status report the Tighe & Bond continued work.

- a) The reports for the Building Structural Assessment and the River Wall Assessment were provided to the First Selectwoman and Chairperson today.
- b) The ecological review is underway and awaits a response from DEEP.
- c) SHPO site visit – Monday, July 10, 2023 at 11:00 am. Notice to be posted.

General discussion followed.

4. Review of Project Schedule

- a) Responses were provided to DECD questions for pending grant application

- b) Tighe & Bond will tentatively schedule environmental drillers and will discuss remaining tasks to be completed under the current proposal at the next meeting.
- c) National Brownfields Conference in Detroit in August. Ms. Elkow will provide the link.

5. Planning

- a) UConn TAB – Dominic Anziano and Marissa Chrysochoou, director of UConnTAB program, participated in the meeting by Zoom. They introduced themselves and gave a brief summary of the information they will be reviewing for the site reuse assessment. Dominic will also create an annotated inventory of all of the publicly available documents related to the wire mill site.
- b) UConnTAB site visit on June 19 or June 20 to visit wire mill site and meet with members and Jim Olson.
- c) Yale Urban Design Workshop met with Ms. Atamian and Dr. Barrett submitted a preliminary scope of work for planning for the wire mill site. The committee members discussed that the YUDW proposal should be revised in scope to reflect a plan for Georgetown Village.
- d) Georgetown Village Planning Framework – Dr. Barrett, Ms. Atamian, Mr. Lecher and Mr. Wenning will meet with Ms. Pemberton to discuss a proposal for a Committee to move forward with a Georgetown Village planning process before the next Board of Selectmen meeting

6. Comments - Comments from the members and the public followed.

7. Adjournment: 7:01 pm

Submitted by Tracy Kulikowski, temporary secretary, Gilbert & Bennett Advisory Committee