

CITY OF SHELTON, CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

**Minutes for the regular meeting, May 25, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.
S.E.D.C. Headquarters, 475 Howe Avenue, Suite 202, Shelton, CT.
Minutes should be considered a draft version until approved by the CAB at their regular meeting.**

**Members Present: James Oram, Regis Dognin, Joseph DeFilippo, Cheryl Dziubina, Judith Augusta, David Zamba
Rebecca Twombly**

Members Absent: Joseph Bienkowski and Robert Novak

Guests: Paul Grimmer-new president of the SEDC and Aleta Miner from SEDC

Prior to the start of the meeting being called to order, pizza and soda was provided by Jim Ryan and Aleta Miner.

A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 7:38 P.M. by Jim Oram who led the membership and guests with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA:

Introduce to the CAB membership – Mr. Paul Grimmer as he takes on President of the S.E.D.C.

Jim Oram, as a form of introduction, gave a history of the SEDC and the CAB for the benefit of Paul. He continued with a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the history of the Citizens Advisory Board as a part of Shelton's Economic Development Team since 1987.

At the conclusion of the PowerPoint presentation, Paul Grimmer gave an account of his experience.

Much discussion ensued and at this point Jim Oram asked the membership to present their ideas to share with Mr. Grimmer.

- ✓ **Judith Augusta – Would like older buildings to be kept as an asset to the City**
- ✓ **Regis Dognin – Parking should be underground (he explained the sites in question)**
- ✓ **Rebecca Twombly – The “Vision” be completed especially as it relates to the Birmingham**
- ✓ **Regis Dognin – Gave a very thorough explanation of his property and the history of his dealings with P & Z.**
- ✓ **Guy Beardsley – He talked about the Veterans' Memorial and the Derby/Shelton Parade. Guy discussed the importance of farming in the community.**

- ✓ Cheryl Dzuibina – Most people she said, come to Shelton for it rural attraction and she hopes that rural areas can be preserved. She is a big proponent of the “river” and its potential use sand she happy to say that the river is getting cleaner and cleaner.

Regis Dognin – Spoke of the blight ordinances its importance to improvements to our City’s downtown.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rebecca Twombly and seconded by Cheryl Dzuibina, so moved and filed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

THE JUNE 15, 2016 HAS BEEN CANCELLED

The next meeting of the CAB will be held JULY 20th, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. at the SEDC Office, 475 Howe Avenue, Suite 202, Shelton, CT

Please note:

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please call Jim Oram at 203.924.9134 (afternoons or evenings) or email him at jamesf45@sbcglobal.net.

**Respectively submitted,
Elizabeth D. Kingersky, Recording Secretary**