TOWN OF GRANBY GRANBY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES May 12, 2025 7:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Marty Schwager, Jim Caldwell, Rob Rome, and Anna Sogliuzzo. Abby Kenyon, Director of Community Development, was also in attendance.

The meeting opened at 7:02 PM.

Public Session

None

Action on Minutes of April 14, 2025

On a motion by J. Caldwell, seconded by R. Rome, the Commission voted (4-0-0) to approve the meeting minutes of April 14, 2025.

BFJ Planning/Granby Center Advisory Committee public workshop

M. Schwager provided a brief overview of the work that has been completed so far on the Granby Center master plan process. It was stated that there is a public workshop on May 15th at 7 PM in the Senior Center. There will be a presentation from BFJ Planning followed by a roundtable discussion. Participants will be asked to share what they like, what they dislike, and what the priorities should be in Granby Center. It was noted that the plan should be finished this summer.

Land Use Application Update

A. Kenyon reported that there is a site plan and special permit application pending for a proposed commercial building on 14 Mill Pond Drive; there is a site plan modification application for a playground at Valley Brook Community Church; Lost Acres Orchard is proposing a tent on the property for the sale of donuts; the proposed 7-lot residential subdivision for 188 Day Street is being considered by the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission; and there will be a presentation to the Board of Selectmen regarding the Kearns School property. In response to a question about the status of the former Freshies property, A. Kenyon noted that there are no updates to report.

Discussion of the economic climate, real estate, and current activity

It was reported there are nine properties for sale; four of these are on Day Street and are part of the pending application before the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission. In response to a question, A. Sogliuzzo said the properties for sale range in price from \$375,000 to over one million dollars. The Commission discussed the housing market and demands for different housing options. The Commission also discussed vacant commercial vacancies in the center.

Commissioner Reports and Correspondence

None.

Adjourn

On a motion by A. Sogliuzzo, seconded by J. Caldwell, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Abby Kenyon