



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Redevelopment Authority

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**REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**June 10, 2019**

**Members present:** Chairman Paul Hopkins, David Bond, Kyle Hanlon, and Michael Leary

**Members absent:**

**Others present:** William Meranti, Building Inspector

**Call to order:** 5:50 pm

**Public hearings new business:**

- Review request from Robert Giardini to operate a pop up photo and art gallery at 70 Main Street  
Chairman Hopkins opened the hearing to Robert Giardini. Mr. Giardini explained that the space is the old Radio Shack building and he has worked with Mr. Meranti and the landlord to work out specifics of what needs to be done to the space before opening. He has 12 different artists, 5 photographers, a couple of painters and is still looking for some crafters. He has spoken with the Historical Society and will be using some of their images.

Member Bond inquired about the hours of the business. Mr. Giardini stated that the hours would be Thursday through Sunday from 11:00 – 7:00 and might expand the hours later depending on how busy he gets.

Member Leary advised that he should state the dates that he thinks he will need so that he doesn't have to go before the board again to get approval. Mr. Giardini stated that he would be open Tuesday through Sunday.

Member Leary inquired about how long he expected to be there as a pop up. Mr. Giardini stated that he was planning for 2-6 months.

Chairman Hopkins requested questions from the board. No questions. Chairman Hopkins requested any further questions or comments from the building inspector. Mr. Meranti stated that they walked the site and it is suitable to modify to occupy again.

Chairman Hopkins requested a motion to approve. Member Leary made a motion to approve. Member Hanlon seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Member Hopkins requested a motion to adjourn. Member Hanlon made a motion to adjourn. Member Leary seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Ells  
Redevelopment Authority Secretary