

JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION/TOWN CENTER REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

June 28, 2011

Mulvey Municipal Center

North Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Jim Crawford.

ATTENDING

A quorum was established with the following members present: Darlene Briggs, Jim Crawford, Libby Waldron, Ginny Quarti, Sylvia Guinan, Deb Rie (arrived at 7:55 p.m.). Also present was Meg Parulis, Town Planner.

CURRENT ISSUES:

Adopt a Spot Program - Ms. Waldron reported that 8 spots remain to be adopted. Additional signs (5) have been ordered and the invoice will be submitted as soon as possible to accommodate the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Parulis will discuss end of year invoice protocol with Mr. Urban, Director of Finance.

Portable Toilets on Town Green – No report at this time.

Bench Donation Program – The Committee discussed the importance of having all of the benches uniform. The last Westbrook Events magazine included information on the Bench Donation Program. The Historical Society is pursuing a bench in honor of one of their members. The condition and location of the Antique Veterans bench was discussed.

Town Center Parking/STEAP Grant – Will be discussed further during executive session. Ms. Parulis reported that a second STEAP Grant to design and construct the project was submitted in June.

Dredging - Ms. Parulis reported that the recent Bond Commission meeting to approve state funds for dredging the Inner Harbor was cancelled.

Events Board/Routes 1 and 153 Welcome Sign/Highway Exit Directory Sign – These signs have all been installed. The Commission discussed the possibility of replacing the Highway Exit 65 Southbound Directory Sign.

Town and State Garage Swap/Train Station – Mr. Crawford reported that additional funding, in the amount of \$100,000 has been secured for a shared animal shelter at the new public works garage site with Clinton. The logistics for relocating the Town Garage were discussed briefly. Ms. Parulis continues to pursue inclusion of a sidewalk from the train station to the Town Center with the State.

UPDATE ON NEW DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS FROM TOWN PLANNER

Ms. Parulis reported that the Farmers Market at the Tanger Outlet center has started and will be held every Thursday.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Briggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Ms. Quarti seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Helchowski, Recording Secretary

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
June 28, 2011
Mulvey Municipal Center
North Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m. by Jim Crawford.

ATTENDING

A quorum was established with the following members present: Darlene Briggs, Jim Crawford, Ginny Quarti and Sylvia Guinan. Also present was Meg Parulis, Town Planner.

MINUTES

Ms. Briggs made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the June 22, 2010 meeting. Ms. Quarti seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Crawford reported on the State's efforts to regionalize Economic Development.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Briggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Ms. Quarti seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Helchowski, Recording Secretary

TOWN CENTER REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
June 28, 2011
Mulvey Municipal Center
North Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m. by Jim Crawford.

ATTENDING

A quorum was established with the following members present: Libby Waldron, Deb Rie, Darlene Briggs, and Jim Crawford. Also present was Meg Parulis, Town Planner.

MINUTES

Ms. Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes from the 5/26/11 Town Center Revitalization Committee meeting. Ms. Quarti seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Briggs made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:08 p.m. to discuss the potential acquisition of 1224 Boston Post Rd., & 2 Westbrook Place. Invited into Executive Session were: Meg Parulis, Sylvia Guinan and Ms. Quarti. Mr. Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Regular Session resumed at 8:47 p.m.

Mr. Crawford made a motion to authorize Meg Parulis, Planner, to continue negotiations as discussed in Executive Session. Ms. Briggs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made and duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Helchowski, Recording Secretary