

Town of Marlborough
Economic Development Commission Meeting
March 18, 2009
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Greg Servodidio called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE

Regular members in attendance for the meeting were: Greg Servodidio, Dan Dupre, Jane Boston, Brain Fentress and Bill Morande.

Greg Servodidio introduced the newest commission member, Bill Morande. He was appointed as an alternate by BOS, resulting in commission membership that is now full.

Bill Morande provided an outline of his background, then commission members gave biographies, as well. In addition, some of the past activities of EDC and EDC's role going forward were discussed. Greg Servodidio discussed EDC's involvement in the Business Park and what has transpired to this point for the Business Park project.

Bill Morande asked about the timeframe for the Business Park project. Greg Servodidio responded concerning the dependency on the sewer line extension to the Business Park area, and water needs. Roads are another large expense. He mentioned the needed zoning regulation changes and STC work that is required.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public in attendance.

4. BUSINESS PARK PROJECT

a. Scheduling Final Presentation

The suggested date for the Business Park public meeting is April 15, which is the date of the next EDC meeting.

5. TOWN STAFF REPORT

Peter Hughes provided a written report, as he was not in attendance.

He stated that Milone and MacBroom will have the final Business Park report next week. The additional survey work for the STC permit for the town portion will be complete by the end of the month. If Churchill and Banks wants to participate in the survey work, they have been advised of the cost. Thus far, they have not responded. The survey areas were mentioned.

Contractors for both the sewer and town center projects have begun work this week. The sewer is expected to be on-line in the July/August timeframe. The town center project should be complete by the end of June.

The town has submitted a STEAP application for \$400K to finish the second floor of the library. Notification of whether the grant was awarded is expected at the end of April. There was a discussion about the prior failed library referendum.

The town will perform an income survey in the Pettengill, Walker Lane, Washington Drive, and Roberts Rd to Sherwood area to see if it qualifies for a Small Cities grant to extend the sewers into this area. Letters went out to all homeowners today advising them that Steve Pisch and Peter Hughes will be out in the area in the next two weeks.

Jane Boston asked how to question Peter Hughes' written report, and Greg Servodidio responded that commission members should contact Peter Hughes directly. Also, contact Peter Hughes for copies of the Plan of Conservation and Development.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Dan Dupre made a motion to approve the 2/18/09 minutes. Jane Boston seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

a. Film Project

Jane Boston provided an overview of the film project for Bill Morande's benefit. She also distributed copies of the film project postcard and asked if it should be updated. The consensus was to update the card when another mailing is planned in the future.

b. Web Site

Brian Fentress stated that the EDC website will need updating. Commission members can contact the webmaster directly with updates. He also suggested that an updated report of EDC website hits (traffic report) be obtained.

Greg Servodidio asked Bill Morande to look at the EDC website and provide his feedback to Brian Fentress.

Jane Boston commented that the Business Park plan and maps need to be added to the website.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

See #3.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Dan Dupre made a motion to adjourn. Brian Fentress seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathryn Parker
Board Clerk