

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES
TOWN OF DURHAM LIBRARY

March 27, 2007

7 PM

Members present: Peter Cascini, Richard Hanley, Carl Montagano, Diana McCain
Absent: Jerry Lipchus, Tim Mack

Rick Hanley opened the meeting by Announcing that Tim Mack has resigned from the EDC. Rick is looking for suggestions for a replacement member.

Old Business

- Rick advised a vote was required to approve signing the contract with CERC, and making the 1st disbursement. (I don't remember what we concluded)
- Brian Miller has asked for date commitments to begin meetings on the EDC strategy. Rick is going to the 1st selectman to determine if 4/23 or 4/24 is acceptable.
- The group brainstormed for 20-25 members of the EDC strategy committee, and came up with the following group representation:

Board of Finance- 1

Board of Selectmen- 2

Conservation Commission- 1

Economic Development Commission- 2

Historic District Commission- 1

Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency- 1

Planning and Zoning Commission- 2

Public Safety Committee- 1

Water Commission- 1

Durham Senior Citizens Committee- 1

Durham Business community-6

Durham Fair- 1

RPA- Regional Planning Agency- 1

Durham Town Citizens Representation- 3

Total: 24 representatives

New Projects and issues discussed:

- Diana shared the Durham Historic District Walking Tour Brochure, which is also available on the Durham website from the Historic District page.
- Rick advised that someone has bought the grange hall and wants it rezoned for use as a gift shop. A representative of EDC will attempt to attend the P&Z meeting where this issue will be discussed.

Follow-ups:

- Peter to draft invitation letters to each representative.
- Rick to confirm 1st EDC strategy meeting
- Rick to mail letters by 3/30, and collect commitments by 4/9.

- The next meeting is 4/24, assuming the 1st strategy meeting is not the same day.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Cascini
Secretary EDC