

Meeting Minutes
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
Wednesday, October 11, 2006
5:30 pm - Town Manager's Conference Room

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.
2. **Members in attendance:** Lee Kuckro, Joe Soja, Dan Camillieri, Paul Thompson and Mike Zaleski. Also in attendance: Town Manager - Bonnie Therrien, Town Planner/Economic Development Manager - Peter Gillespie, EDIC Chair - Betty Rosania and EDIC Liason - Ralph Keleher.
3. **Introduction of Agency Members** - Town Manager Bonnie Therrien thanked the members for volunteering for the Redevelopment Agency and asked each member to introduce themselves. Betty Rosania stated that the EDIC is looking forward to working closely with the new Agency and offered her support.
4. **Charge of the Committee** - Peter Gillespie distributed copies of the ordinance which created the Agency and copies of an ordinance adopted in 2005 which limits the powers of the Town to acquire residential property by eminent domain. Mr. Gillespie stated that he would like the agency to look at the potential development sites and opportunities available throughout Town and develop a list of recommendations for EDIC, PZC and Council review. Mr. Gillespie will prepare this information for the Agency at a future meeting. Copies of the State Statutes that authorize Redevelopment Agency were also distributed and will be discussed in more detail at a future meeting.
5. **Overview of Work Completed to Date** - Mr. Gillespie explained that the EDIC has already performed some initial work to try and narrow down the potential sites to look at. In addition, the recently completed Silas Deane Highway Revitalization Plan also has recommendations on potential redevelopment opportunities. Copies of the Master Plan information was distributed.
6. **Future Topics** - Town Manager Therrien asked the members for topics that they wished to discuss at future meetings:
 - Public Comment Session of meeting agenda - Joe Soja
 - Planning and Zoning Commission Liason - Betty Rosania
 - Coordination with other Boards and Commissions - Paul Thompson
 - Guest Speakers from other communities - Paul Thompson
 - Budget and Financing Options - Joe Soja
 - Silas Deane Highway Plan Presentation - Mike Zaleski
 - Updated Census Information - Paul Thompson
 - Possible Bus Tour of Sites - Bonnie Therrien
 - Beaver Brook Linear Park Plan - Lee Kuckro
 - Review Work Already Done By EDIC - Mike Zaleski
 - Election of Officers/Organization - Bonnie Therrien
7. **Future Meeting Dates and Times** - A discussion was held regarding the best dates and times for future meetings and the second and fourth Wednesdays were targeted. The next meeting would be held on October 25 at 5 p.m. and the following meeting would be held on November 8 at 5:30 p.m.
8. **Miscellaneous** - Paul Thompson stated that he understands that the work of the Agency will be a challenge as a result of the limited number of sites that can be easily developed in Town. Mr. Thompson suggested that some form of Mission Statement for the Agency is developed.
9. **Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Peter Gillespie
Town Planner/Economic Development Manager