

**Seymour Economic Development Commission
Tuesday August 7, 2007
7:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Jon Szuch, Ron Balabon, Rosalie Averill, Mike Horbal, Joe Cass, Ian Johnson, Bert Volpacchio

Members Absent:

Others Present: Al Yagovane

Meeting called to order at 7:00p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Chairman Szuch

Reminder: Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest forms

Jon reminded all commission members in regards to disclosure forms.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept minutes with change that Rosalie requested that the Chair compose a letter and forward said letter to the BOS

Motion: Rosalie Averill

Second: Ron Balabon

Vote: 4-Yes

0-No

2-Abstain(BV, IJ)

0-Disqualify

Motion Carries.

First Selectman

No action taken First Selectman not in attendance.

Discussion of MEDP

Jon stated that Mt. Auburn did a terrific job on the MEDP and that it's a good blueprint for the town to follow. Rosalie questioned if the BOS has done anything with the study as of yet and Jon stated he was unsure. Jon stated the towns chosen in the MEDP to compare Seymour to were chosen due to the questionnaires that people replied to in the mail.

Jon reviewed various pages of the data with members of the commission. Ron stated that the study was good but that unless it was acted upon and suggestions taken and put into place the study is useless. Rosalie stated that she felt as though Jon should compose a letter to the First Selectman to have a joint meeting between as many boards as possible. Letter will be emailed to members for there approval then forwarded to the First Selectman.

Proposed Downtown Aesthetic Design

The board decided to keep moving forward with there plans and to set up meetings with the BOS, P&Z, Inland Wetlands, and any other boards necessary.

Public Comment

Al Yagovane presented plans for Broad Street Park. Al stated to the board that this project was originally started many years ago and drawings were done by fellow commission member Mike Horbal. The project was originally started and handled by all volunteers interested in cleaning up the area and making the area a place where people could retreat to enjoy the waterfall. Much of the work that was started was not finished due in part to a change in administration back at the time. Al is hoping to receive the backing and support of the town to move this project forward and finish what should have been finished years ago. The approximate cost for materials is going to be about \$12,000.00. All labor will be done by Al and other volunteers he has lined up to assist with finishing the project.

Correspondences

No Action taken.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Rosalie Averill

Second: Joe Cass

Vote: 6-Yes 0-No

0-Abstain 0-Disqualify

Motion carries.