

Economic Development Council

Minutes

Meeting: October 26, 2005, 10 am

Judge Welsh Room

Present:

Members: Chairman Steve Melamed, Hunter O'Hanian, Thanassi Kuliopulos, Bill Dougal, Alix Ritchie

Staff: Acting Assistant Town Manager/Grant Administrator Michelle Jarusiewicz

Building Commissioner Douglas Taylor, Town Manager Keith Bergman, Administrative Director of Tourism Bill Schneider

The Chair Steve Melamed called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM.

The Chair introduced Darlene Van Alstyn and Thanassi to the other members.

Hunter made Motion to accept \$5,000 Budget Transfer From Planning Board to EDC (Article 6)

Alix Second

5-0 in favor

Hunter announces invitation on November 21st for Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Activities. Michelle explains what it is and informs the Board that the Chief of Staff will work out the details with her when she returns from vacation. Board Members discuss putting together a presentation/reception for BOS. Are they allowed? If so, what are they looking for? Slides/pictures should be prepared. Bill Schneider informed members that 50 applications went in for Adams Grant. Last year 22 Grants were received.

Steve scheduled meeting dates for the remainder of 2005 for November 9, November 16, December 7, and December 14, 2005.

The review re: LCP was discussed. The list of goals were posted. Alix suggests a new goal: Goal # 15: Energy Costs – reducing for business owners and residents. She also suggests that there be a discussion as to where a possible location for a wind tower would be, with a timeline set to research this winter.

Short-term Goals and Long-term Sectors were briefly reviewed.

Bill Dougal suggests getting data to develop the plan and that Tourism should be a part of that plan before the goals are discussed and put into motion.

Steve made Motion for Agendas for next meeting

Hunter Second

Meeting adjourned 11:40 AM.