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Weare Economic Development Committee Minutes - Feb. 20, 2007

The meeting opened at 7:10pm

Present: Cheryl Elliott, Heleen Kurk, George Malette, Alice Morris, Jim Thompson

Committee membership update: Scott Becker has resigned, A new alternate is needed.

The new Welcome to Weare sign has been installed on Rt. 77 near the Dunbarton line. It is made of a composite materials and cost about \$400. Check it out.

WEDC will be planning two public input sessions on signage in general, and in particular for businesses. The suggested date was Tues April 17 with both an afternoon and an evening meeting to accommodate more people. It will be held at the Town Hall. Jim is checking hall availability. Details will be in newspapers and posted as usual for public meetings.

A draft of the sign ordinance warrant article was circulated. There were too many questions for the WEDC to make any recommendations.

A list of commercial properties available was distributed. A brief discussion of those and the possibility of the land across from the Safety Complex and land behind the Town Hall followed. The Town Center Advisory Comm. is also looking at developable land. It was suggested that all members of WEDC receive minutes of the Town Center Advisory comm. so as to be able to work with them. George mentioned that the Conservation Commission is progressing with their Natural Resource Inventory. That information will be used to better determine what land is best suited for development.

Proposed goals and activities for 2007 were presented.

Investigating Regional Economic Development Corp, with intent to join and use their expertise.

Learning more about TIF, CBDG, and performance zoning

Implementing some Master Plan recommendations

The next meeting will be the third Tuesday of March, 3/20/07

The meeting adjourned 8:55

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Morris, secretary