

Weare Economic Development Committee Minutes - June 20, 2006

The meeting opened at 7:15pm

Present: Cheryl Elliott, George Malette, Alice Morris, Art Siciliano,  
Jim Thompson

Visitor: Scott Becker

The May minutes were approved.

Weare's assistant treasurer will be at the July meeting to give input on TIFs.

The National Association of Cities sent a questionnaire to Weare about possible places for doctors, lawyers, etc. to locate. Thompson, as chair of WEDC, was given the questionnaire to fill out.

WEDC members looked at maps for areas where commercial development might logically take place. WEDC is hoping to obtain a base map with a series of transparent overlays to better plan future development. Overlays with Conservation Commission concerns should be included. The maps should be of large scale and hang on the meeting room wall where all could use them. Malette is checking with the Southern NH Planning Commission about paper map and computer map availability.

WEDC would like to talk with some developers for their input on possibilities of commercial development for various sites, and if they are aware of any interested businesses.

WEDC needs to concentrate on details for the ordinances which passed on the 2006 ballot.

Morris will come up with landscaping guidelines which could be helpful for the Planning Board when they look at applications for permits for commercial sites.

The subject of temporary signs is being discussed by the Board of Selectmen. WEDC suggests that the Board of Selectmen also deal with any necessary noise ordinances, as they may extend to more than commercial properties.

WEDC would like to deal with lighting in commercial areas. The Office of Energy and Planning and the Dept. of Environmental Services have technical bulletins that could provide guidance. WEDC will also look into ordinances from neighboring towns.

In dealing with the subject of permanent commercial signs, it would be useful to bring in pictures of existing signs, so they can be studied and evaluated.

The next meeting will be the third Tuesday of July, 18.

The meeting adjourned 8:55

Respectfully submitted,  
Alice Morris, secretary