

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
JANUARY 26, 2009
REGULAR MEETING**

PRESENT: Dennis Amendola, Chairman, John Serio, Vincent Riccio
ABSENT: Frank Alvarado, Paul Burns
STAFF: Paul Hongo
PUBLIC: Fran Foley, Webmaster

Chairman Amendola called the Meeting to order at 7:22 p.m.
Roll was called and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Riccio made a motion to accept the April meeting minutes, and seconded by Commissioner Serio. All were in favor, none opposed and none abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Serio made a motion to accept the July meeting minutes, and seconded by Commissioner Riccio. All were in favor none were opposed and none abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Hongo passed out information about how to promote businesses to come to the Town and support the current businesses that are here. A discussion was held with Fran Foley, who is the Town webmaster, and the commissioners regarding ways to do this. Paul had met with SCROG to find new ways that other Towns are trying to build their Town businesses including having the Chamber of Commerce play an important role in that as well.

FRONTAGE ROAD

None

INDUSTRIAL PARK

None

MISSION STATEMENT

None

WEST END INITIATIVE

Lighting and sidewalks to continue up to the West End was discussed and several options about how to pay for. Incentives to owners, and/or applying for any grants were discussed as some options. Still waiting for the grant money to come down from the State, and we need to concentrate on getting that drawdown.

OTHER BUSINESS

Possible Code Enforcement Committee to be formed to discuss some blight issues and how to handle them properly.

Commissioner Riccio then stated that this was to be his last meeting as he was resigning as Commissioner. He stated that it was nice to be a part of the commission.

Commissioner Serio also stated that this would be his last meeting as well and thanked all on the commission for allowing him to serve as Commissioner.

There being no further business to come before the agency, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 p.m. by Commissioner Serio and seconded by Commissioner Riccio. All were in favor, none opposed, and none abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda S. LaLuna
Clerk