

**Planning and Development Committee  
Minutes of August 3, 2011  
6:00 PM  
Hampden Council Chambers - Town Office**

**Attendees:** Tom Brann, Chair  
Janet Hughes  
William Shakespeare  
Kristen Hornbrook

**Staff:**  
Robert Osborne, Town Planner  
Dean Bennett, Eco Dev Dir

**1. Approval of July 20, 2011 Minutes**

Approved by Majority

**2. Committee Interviews**

There were no interviews scheduled.

**3. Old Business**

a. Business Park Priorities Update

Economic Development Director informed the Committee that he has talked with the two real estate firms that responded to the RFQ and anticipates proposals from both at the next scheduled meeting.

b. Hampden Academy Reuse Update

Economic Development Director provided the Committee with the marketing strategy, utilized by the Town of Camden with which they solicited development proposals for a town owned parcel of land.

**Committee Action:** The Committee indicated their interest in the concept, therefore, and at the recommendation of the Economic Development Director, they agreed to begin to work on an outline of a development package, the draft of

which to be developed and provided by the Economic Development Director at the next scheduled meeting.

c. Recreation Plan Update

The Town Planner advised the Committee the Recreation Director was seeking direction on what extent participation should be sought in the development of a recreation plan beyond the Recreation Committee.

**Committee Action:** The Committee asked that the Recreation Director present an outline of the plan at the next meeting and suggested that the Recreation Committee would be in the position of determining the need for additional public input.

d. Sign Ordinance Update

Town Planner and Economic Development Director informed the Committee that the drafting of a Sign Ordinance was underway.

e. Acquisition of Offered Land Update

The Committee discussed the impact of property acquisition vs non-acquisition, and the potential use of the property.

**Committee Action:** The Committee tabled additional discussion until the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

f. Billington LLC Subdivision Easement Update

Town Planner distributed to the Committee Attorney Russell's review and opinion on the presented considerations. Town Planner to discuss Attorney Russell's suggested recommendations to determine if satisfactory to the development's representative.

**Committee Action:** The Committee is prepared to discuss as necessary at the next scheduled meeting,

pending results of Town Planner's follow-up discussions with developer's representative Jim Kiser.

g. TIF Guidelines Amendment Update

Economic Development Director advised Committee that he has completed the draft revisions to the TIF Guidelines and forwarded to Attorney Russell for review.

**4. New Business:**

a. Bangor Region Development Alliance (BRDA)

Economic Development Director explained the Bangor Region Development Alliance history, past direction and strategic future direction. The Economic Development Director presented substantial changes and direction within the organization that warranted continued participation in the organization.

**Committee Action:** The Committee expressed no reservation about the continuation of support and involvement in the Bangor Region Development Alliance based on the presentation and Economic Development Director's ongoing contribution to BRDA.

b. Fireworks (Local Control/Obligation)

Economic Development Director advised the Committee that the recent Fireworks legislation will create the need for future discussion and likely land use provision creation in order to deal with the issue within the jurisdiction of Hampden.

**5. Public Comments**

None

**6. Committee Member Comments**

None

**7. Adjourn**