## MINUTES FOR THE ECONIMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE DERRY, N.H.

MONDAY, JULY 13. 2015 – 6:00 pm @ DMC

**ATTENDING** 

**ABSENT** 

Tom Cardon – Chairman George Sioras - Planning Director Marc Flattes Terri Pastori Janis Del Pozzo – Sub Secretary Al Dimmock Karen Anderson-Blandford Richard Tripp – Secretary

Chairman Cardon opened the meeting at 6:05 PM recommending the committee work of 5 {five} achievable project for the commission to work on.

Marc Flattes agreed to continue working on social media through face book etc. Working with the Derry IT specialist he will secure links to the Town Web site to link economic development web site. He will speak with the new Solar Company providing solar installations for Chester & Derry to encourage them to rent a Derry down town store front location.

Tom Cardon is continuing to work on a brochure for Derry. He is in active with the Derry Chamber of Commerce and contacting local business and citizens for economic insight.

Terri Pastori has composed a Mission/Vision Statement focus that will be presented to the Committee to be adopted by the entire committee. She will try and contact store front owners to inform them of many incentives available to them, if they rent their store front or buildings to aid in Economic Development for Derry. Terri will continue outreach on the Web to establish linked to enable valuable links for citizens and potential economic growth in Terry.

Janis Del Pozzo attempted to contact NASA regarding their interest in some kind of a commemorative tribute to Alan B. Sheppard. She has contacted the Derry Conservation committee to have the trail behind the Sheppard Memorial property be designated as "Derry's Space Walk": creating learning opportunity for all who walk the trail. Many aspects have to be overcome to hopefully make these projects possible. Her new project is to research and contact economic development criteria thought out the state of NH.

George Sioras gave insight into landlord and business owners' opportunity available as they consider renting or selling their properties. He suggested that the State Statue 79 E and a few other incentives are available to aid new business to start up store fronts in Derry. His office is willing to walk potential businesses through the web sites and paper work.

All members agreed that we need to market Derry. A Down town market day was suggested. A visiting local business man with an office located in Derry suggested the market day be promoted with come to town for "DERRY DEALS".

High Speed Internet {Fiber Optic} available in Derry. Solar Power opportunities are a new Economic feature for the Derry/Chester area; this projects Derry as a "Green Community" first in our local area.

The Terry Rail Trial, Splash Pad and many Recreational summer events are available in the Derry community. Other perks for Derry's business attraction is three golf courses. Terri added that the Hidden Valley Campground/ Golf course as a Derry hidden jewel. All agreed that history, entertainment and local restaurant are great attraction aspects for attracting business. Restaurants of different types are seen as an advantage for the Derry Down Town. Derrys' home town feel and historical features offers a unique feeling for business growth.

Discussion was intense with a great interaction between all committee members and guests. Derry News & Nutfield News in attendance.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:15 PM.

Coming Meeting Attractions:

Will Stewart Derry/Londonderry Chamber Commerce, guest speaker Terri Pastori sharing her Mission/Vision statement for adoption

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, July 27. 2015 – 6:00 PM @ DMC

Respectfully Submitted,

Janis Del Pozzo – DEC member For Richard Tripp – DEC Secretary