

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON
DOWNTOWN & BUSINESS COMMITTEE
Thursday, April 28, 2011
356 Main Street, Farmington, NH**

Committee Members Present: Ann Titus, Joan Kotsiroplos, and Rich Stanley

Committee Members Absent: JoAnn Doke

Selectmen's Representative: Joan Funk

At 6:05pm, Chairman Rich Stanley opened the meeting.

1. Review of Minutes:

Ann Titis motioned to accept the minutes of 3-25-11 as amended, 2nd Joan Kotsiroplos. Motion carried with Rich Stanley abstaining.

2. Ribbon Cuttings:

Ann reported that they held ribbon cuttings for MROS and Farmington Computers. Rich asked if a ribbon cutting has been scheduled for the new restaurant and ice cream place on Rte. 11 and Ann replied yes, they are going to contact JoAnn when they are ready. Ann stated that a ribbon cutting for Tidd's Garden is scheduled for May 4th at 3:30pm.

3. Old Business:

A. Joan reported that the State is ready to install the "generic" signs on Tappan, Rte. 153 and Spring Streets. Rich reminded the Committee that the original order was for 5 signs.

4. New Business:

A. Joan asked if the Committee is interested in doing anything for Hay Day. Ann said that there are two baskets and a savings bond and JoAnn had suggested putting out free raffle tickets for people to enter for a chance to win and then pick the winners on Hay Day.

B. Rich asked if the Selectmen every said what they would want the Committee to do and Joan said no, but it might be a good idea for Rich to attend a Selectmen meeting and ask them directly. Joan suggested beautifying the downtown area with trees, nice lamp posts lights and such. She noted it wouldn't have to all be purchased at one time but some effort every year would pay off. Joan said Scott Hazelton, DPW Director, is probably aware of grants that would help pay for these type of items.

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- C. Rich is going to talk with the Economic Development Committee to see when would be a good time for a joint meeting.

The next meeting is May 26, 2011.

At 6:36pm, Ann Titus motioned to adjourn, 2nd Joan Funk. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandy Sanger

Recording Secretary

Chairman, Rich Stanley