## Town of Wareham Community and Economic Development Authority Board Meeting 4:30pm, January 13,2012 January 13,2012

Present: Walter Cruz, Robert Fitchenmayer, Sandra Besse, Rudy Santos and Jean Connaughton

Absent: Jo Jeffries , Jennifer Petersen, David Smith and acting CEDA director Peter Sanborn

Chairman Connaughton called meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Selection of CEDA member to serve on screening committee for new CEDA director.

Chairman updated members regarding screening committee make up that the Board of Selectman approved on January 8, 2012. This special meeting was called to select and approve an additional CEDA board member along with chairman Connaughton to serve on screening committee.

After brief discussion a motion was made by Rudy Santos to select Sandra Besse for the additional seat on the screening committee. Motion seconded by R Fitchenmayer. CEDA board vote 4-0-0

## Other business

Chairman Connaughton discussed the need to move funds from a Gatra program to Program Income in order to provide approved funds in a timely manner for Turning Point and other grant recipients without depleting program income funds. The recommendation is to move the remaining funds of 16,000 from the 2011 Dial a Ride program to Program income. The contract for the 2011 dial a ride program began on December 1, 2011 that funds the program for the remainder of the year. After further discussion the following motions were made.

Motion to rescind the CEDA vote made on 1/9/2012 that approved the transfer of funds from the out of town Medical transportation to the code Enforcement inspector activity through March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012 Motion made by Rudy and seconded by Bob. Board voted 4-0-0

Approve a reduction of the commitment of Program Income for the Dial-a-Ride activity under the FY 2011 grant from \$22,000 to \$6000 Motion made by Sandy and seconded by Bob Board vote 4-0-0.

Approve a commitment of Program income funds in an amount needed to continue the Code Enforcement inspector activity through March 31 2012.

Motion made by Rudy and seconded by Bob Board vote 4-0-0

Approve the transfer of funds from the Fy 2010 grant from the Reading Partners and Domestic Violence Prevention activities in an amount needed to provide funding at the level for the Turning Point activity through June 30,2012.

Motion made by Bob and seconded by Sandy. Board vote 4-0-0 Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm motion made by Rudy and seconded by Bob board vote 4-0-0



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Board Meeting 4:30 PM, January 23, 2012 Room 225, Multi-Service Center Building

Present: Jean Connaughton, Sandra Besse, Jennifer Petersen, Rudi Santos, David Smith

Not Present: Robert Fitchenmayer, Jo Jeffries

<u>Also Present</u>: Peter Sanborn, Acting CEDA Director; Alan Slavin, EDAC; Anthony Scarsiotti, EDAC

Chairman Connaughton called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. She noted those present and those not present. This is joint meeting of the CEDA board meeting and CEDA's Economic Development Advisory Committee.

Approval of January 9, 2012 Minutes. Motion to approve minutes as submitted. Moved: D. Smith; Second: S. Besse. **APPROVED:** 5-0-0

Request by CEDA staff to commit approximately \$8,100 of Program Income to continue CEDA support to Turning Point through June 30, 2012. Acting Director Sanborn explained that at last meeting the board voted to fund Turning Point for this period though transfers from the Reading Partners and Out-of-Town Transportation program. Since that time, CEDA staff has discussed this with Denise Medeiros, Library Director, who stated that the Library will be using the money. Motion to approve continued funding for Turning Point from Program Income through June 30, 2012 to extent needed. Moved: R. Santos; Second: S. Besse. **APPROVED:** 5-0-0

Economic Development Advisory Council. EDAC will work on updating data in Draft 2007 ED Strategy. There was discussion as to the continuing relevance of the 2007 plan. Alan Slavin discussed his involvement in external organizations. Bridgewater State will have internships available. Discussion of expedited permitting to encourage increased business activity. Sanborn summarized the difference between MGL 43D vs. local expedited permitting.

Slavin discussed the Green Communities Act and the Stretch Code. Discussion about the need for better integration of ED activities between CEDA and other Town agencies, particularly the BoS and Town Administrator. R. Santos mentioned that there is a Selectmen's liaison to CEDA.

Board member Petersen mentioned that the Town's website is inadequate; there is no really helpful information for an interested business that is interested in locating in town.

A. Slavin suggested having a physical business center where information can be distributed. There was discussion about the demand for and feasibility of having such a center.

Wareham Works 2012 is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 4-7 PM. The Town Administrator decided to change this from a Saturday to a weekday. Board members asked what the theme is for the 2012 meeting. Sanborn said that he didn't know. Possibilities suggested were Open Cape and "New Director/New Directions." Additional discussion included thoughts that this should be an internal meeting involving internal boards and committees and outside stakeholders involved in economic development, workforce development, regulations and permitting. There was also discussion about what CEDA's role is in planning Wareham Works.

Moved and Unanimously Approved to Adjourn Meeting. Meeting Adjourned: 6:32 PM

