

EDC Meeting Minutes 11/15/2006

Hopkinton, NH Economic Development Committee

Minutes of November 15, 2006 Meeting

Chairperson, Judy Hampe, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Committee members present were Bill Patton, Judy Hampe, Clark Kidder, Sue Leadbeater, Cettie Connolly.

Minutes of the September 20, 2006 EDC meeting were approved.

Judy Hampe requested the Selectmen fill the vacancies on the EDC.

The Economic Development Committee discussed the Avitar Software and its methodology that caused the problem in town. The committee also discussed the economic impact on at least two businesses in town. The question was asked if the town would be able to work with Avitar to change the software so that current use is handled like it was in the past or does the town need to look at new software.

Sue Leadbeater noted that the view tax for all her land was placed on her home instead of over the entire property as in the past. She noted that we are encouraging businesses to settle in town while putting current businesses out of business.

The committee discussed rezoning to commercial parts of 127. Cettie will contact the town for tax maps, environmental issues and past history.

Bryan Carr, community member, discussed the renovations to the Covered Bridge and suggested the bridge be used for art shows, etc. but noted that lighting in the bridge would be considered essential.

A motion was made by Sue Leadbeater and seconded by Bill Patton to write a letter to Jim Garvin regarding the Covered Bridge and its available use once completed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The EDC next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13th,
7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cettie Connolly