

**SWANZEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES - MAY 14, 2012**

Note: Minutes are not final until reviewed and approved by the Committee. Review and approval generally takes place at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee.

Meeting called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Chair Steven Bittel. Members present: Steven Bittel, David Krisch, H. Gregory Johnson, Arthur Boufford, David Cairns and Amy Bush. Town Planner Sara Carbonneau was also present.

Minutes: Motion by Krisch to approved the minutes from April 9, 2012. Seconded by Cairns. Vote: All in favor.

Brochure Development: Boufford stated that he has obtained cost estimates for printing brochures. However, he has yet to meet with V. Barlow and S. Carbonneau at Town Hall regarding development of the brochures. Further discussion on the brochures was deferred to the June meeting.

Hannah Grimes: Cairns stated that Hannah Grimes remains supportive of Swanzey businesses. Regarding potential use of the mill in the West Village as manufacturing/industrial incubator space, Hannah Grimes is unable to take the lead on this type of project, but supports the concept.

EPA Air Quality Concerns: Krisch reported that elevated air pollution levels have been noted in Cheshire County. These elevated levels could potentially negatively impact federally provided financial assistance to local businesses. Krisch reported that Southwest Region Planning Commission and the City of Keene are working on ways to remedy the situation.

Fast Roads/Teljet (Teljet owns/operates the fiber line running along Route 12): Bittel stated that he has spoken with both groups and they are willing to speak on June 27th at a brief program to be held at the KSC Camp at Wilson Pond. Motion by Johnson to hold a brief program on June 27th from 6 to 7 p.m. at the KSC Camp at Wilson Pond, with light refreshments being offered. Seconded by Bush. Vote: All in favor. It was decided that businesses likely to need high speed internet access along Route 12, Route 32 and Safford Drive would receive specific invitations, as well as targeted business owners in the other parts of Town. Notice will also be posted on the Town website. Bush and Carbonneau will draft the postcard invitation.

Town Website: Bush volunteered to review the "Business Section" on the Town's website. Will work with Carbonneau to update the information and make recommendations as to additional changes to the site.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion by Krisch to adjourn. Seconded by Bittel. Vote: All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sara H. Carbonneau  
Town Planner