

ASHLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

November 21, 2017

6:30 pm

Ashland Town Office

Committee Members and Others Present:

Steve Felton (Chairperson), Cheryl Cox, Beno Lamontagne, Susan MacLeod, Fran Newton, *Ex Officio* Selectman; Mardean Badger, Katie Maher

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Fall Meeting: Reviewed the draft Powerpoint and structure of break-out session and the two questions that will be discussed. Katie was asked to lead a discussion table. She asked what the feedback will be used for and for what outcome are the facilitators directing the discussions. Facilitators will also be scribes unless a group member volunteers to write down points made. Someone should also be timekeeper. One member from each group will report out to all the top 3 suggestions and obstacles the group came up with. We're looking for strategic thinking for the committee to use to develop tactics to move forward.

Two questions: "From your perspective and experience what should Ashland pursue with Mill Site Development?" And, "From your perspective and experience, what should Ashland "watch out for" with this site development?"

Action items: Fall Meeting

- Discussion table assignments – Steve and Fran
- Food: finalize – Fran w/CMan; Katie w/Village Pizza
- Finalize PowerPoint – Steve and Fran
- Old photos of mills to post – Katie to ask David Ruell
- Print out photos of mill area for each table and any handout info
- Media coverage: Salmon Press – Fran; *Union Leader* – Beno
- Set up at Legion, Nov. 28, 1 pm – Fran and anyone else; check for sound system
- Projector and screen to be supplied by W&S Commission
- Supplies – legal pads, flip chart and easel – Susan; Name tags – Fran and Eli
- Confirm Fire Station availability for next meetings – Steve

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

**Next Meeting: Monday, Nov. 27 6:30 pm at the Fire Station
See everyone Wednesday, Nov. 29 10 am at the Legion Hall**

Minutes submitted by Susan MacLeod