

# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

## **MINUTES**

**February 25, 2009**

Present:

Commissioners: Genevieve Salvatore, Chair;  
Tessa Marquis, Vice-Chair; Susan Ashelford; John DePalma;  
Cyrus Settineri; and Robert Stanton

Advisors: Kathleen Alagno and Robert Gregory

- I. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Salvatore at 8:10 a.m. A roll call identified the members present.
- II. The minutes of the meeting of January 28, 2009, were accepted as presented.
- III. Economic Development Report

Mr. Gregory presented the report. Discussion was held on a number of items. Of special note was the expansion of the hospital site on the Post Road, new stores at Milford MarketPlace, Regional Targeted Marketing Initiative, and the designation by US News and World Report of Milford as one of the ten best places in the country for single seniors.

#### IV. Old Business

Kimball Report – Mr. Settineri presented his analysis of the report. He felt that there should be a representative from EDC, MPI and the Chamber to work together to urge implementation of the report. He volunteered to represent EDC.

A motion was made and seconded to send a strong letter to the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen urging action on the Kimball Report.

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Chair Salvatore urged everyone to email her with his or her suggestions for the letter.

Chair Salvatore said that she thought there was a micro approach to economic development like the “Shop Local” initiative and a macro approach such as long range planning. She wants to set up some task forces to work on the various issues.

Ms. Alagno talked about various planning options.

Because of the lack of time for further discussion, it was suggested that all commissioners send their suggestions for future activities for the EDC to Mr. Gregory. He will put together a list of all the suggestions.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert B. Gregory