

Town of Ridgefield
Economic Development Commission Special Meeting

December 8, 2008 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Large Conference Room

Unrevised/unapproved Minutes

These minutes are a general summary of the meeting and are not intended to be a verbatim summary.

Meeting commenced at 7:06 p.m.

In Attendance: Chris Fisher, Bob Knight, Paul Levine, Rudy Marconi, and Rick O'Brien.

Special guest: Meg Walker

EDC new members: Chris Fisher, Bill Marcus.

Meg Walker, representing PPS Project For Public Spaces. Commenced the meeting with a brief presentation of this none profit organization.

At a Town meeting on 12/10/08 a vote will be taken to expand the EDC from a five-member to a seven-member commission. A discussion around the skill sets and needs of the two additional members commenced. A recommendation was that the commission was seeking additional diversity in gender. Specifically Magdalena Finchman was referenced as a possible candidate. Also, discussion took place about other skill sets that would complement existing members.

Another issue concerned future press announcements. It was decided that any press releases would be reviewed first by the First Selectman.

A discussion then ensued relative to the cost of the EDC plan. Various comments were made concerning how to achieve an estimate. It was decided that Paul Levine and Rick O'Brien, as a subcommittee, generate prospective names and possible fees of the EDC plan. Motion passed 3-0.

Minutes of the 9-2-08 and 11-10-08 were approved as amended.

Scheduled meetings for 2009: January 20, February 9, and March 9 were made.

Meeting adjourned 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Rendon, Secretary