



Cape Cod Economic Development Council

Minutes, November 8, 2012

Council Members:

Alice Boyd, M. Pat Flynn, Spyro Mitrokostas, Felicia Penn, Rick Presbrey, Paul Rumul, David Willard, Dan Wolf

Also Attending:

CCC Staff: Leslie Richardson, Gail Coyne, Taree McIntyre
Linda Cebula, Chair, Harwich Board of Selectmen

David Willard called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM in the conference room of the Cape Cod Commission.

Board Minutes:

Upon a motion by Alice Boyd, second by Felicia Penn, members approved the minutes from the October 4, 2012 meeting.

Council Chair's Report:

Gail Coyne, Fiscal Manager of the Cape Cod Commission, outlined the flow of funds through the Barnstable County Finance system to aid the Council for future financial planning. Ms. Coyne offered to meet with Felicia Penn to review the status of the CCEDC accounts in more detail.

Dan Vortherms, CEO of Open Cape, updated the Council on the progress of the Open Cape fiber optic project since he replaced the now retired CEO, Dan Gallagher. Mr. Vortherms spoke of challenges posed by performance delays with N-Star and Verizon. Also, Hurricane Sandy caused many local work crews to be sent to devastated areas for emergency relief. The delays may force the need to amend and extend the grant contract. Mr. Vortherms is focused on the future of Open Cape Corporation and keeping it viable in a competitive field after the initial laying of the fiber optic cable.

Nominating Committee Report:

Paul Rumul motioned to add Brian Mannal and Jay Zavala to the Nominating Committee, Felicia Penn seconded and all approved. The new Nominating Committee will be contacting each Member to inquire of their interest in remaining active on the CCEDC.

Grant Committee Report:

1. Harwich REDPP – East Harwich Village Center Incentive

Felicia Penn summarized previous Grant Committee meetings regarding the funds granted to Harwich for East Harwich Village Center. Ms. Penn presented a draft letter of findings and requirements to return funds to the EDC agreed on by the Grant Committee. She made a motion that the letter be approved for sending to the Harwich Board of Selectmen, Paul Rumul seconded and all approved. Linda Cebula, Harwich Select Chair, stated that the Town of Harwich would comply with the letter and requested that the funds to be returned to the

CCEDC be defined. Leslie Richardson suggested attaching documentation to the letter. Taree McIntyre agreed to submit the letter as requested.

2. Barnstable County IT Survey Update:

Felicia Penn updated the Council on the November 5, 2012 presentation of technical data collected by Interisle Consulting to the Cape Cod participants of the survey. Ms. Penn explained the need for collaboration and focused conversations on continuing and maintaining the flow of information. Interisle Consulting expects to finalize the project by December 31, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM.