

## **HENNIKER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

This committee shall be a Standing Committee of the Board of Selectmen, shall report to and serve at the will/please of the Board.

### **PURPOSES**

Identify strategies to help the Town diversify its tax base and reduce the residential property tax burden by assisting in the retaining, expanding and attracting of appropriate commercial and industrial business to the community.

To identify strategies that will encourage the expansion of current educational, recreational and professional economic activities in the community.

The work of the committee shall be consistent with the Town Master Plan.

### **ACTIVITIES**

1. Develop a list of available properties suitable for new commercial, office or industrial development or expansion of current firms.
2. Review current Zoning areas to identify open spaces that are currently zoned for industrial and commercial development and could be locations for appropriate
3. Recommend any changes in zoning area classifications that might provide new areas for economic development without compromising the character of the community or endangering proper conservation practices.
4. Determine whether their area areas with the potential for economic development (such as industrial and commercial parks) where the extension of water, sewer, roads and other municipal services would be sound long-term investments.
5. Identify the advantages and disadvantages present in the community that impact upon the retention, expansion and attraction of commercial firms.
6. Offer suggestions on how to enhance the current advantages and to diminish the disadvantages identified.
7. Develop strategies for actively promoting and pursuing new businesses locating in Henniker.
8. Develop contacts with the Central NH Regional Planning Commission and the Capital Region Development Corporation and appropriate State of New Hampshire agencies.
9. Explore the potential benefits of creating a Local Development Corporation.
10. Other activities, as may be approved by the Board of Selectmen.

## MEMBERSHIP

1. A Selectperson
2. A Planning Commission Member
3. A Conservation Commission Member
4. A member of the Henniker Chamber of Commerce
5. A representative from New England College
6. 6 & 7 Two members recruited by a search for interested and qualified volunteers that are local residents. The Town Moderator shall nominate individuals from the list of volunteers.
7. The primary advisor to the Committee shall be the Town Planning Consultant. He shall be a non-voting member of the committee.

Note: The Committee should consider whether any representative of New England College might be available and willing to assist in providing technical assistance

Alternate Members: Three alternate members may be appointed.

The Board of Selectmen shall appoint all members of the committee. Membership shall be staggered three-year terms.

Initially, two members shall be appointed for one-year terms, two members for two-year terms and three members to three-year terms. One alternate initially shall be appointed for a one-year term, another for a two-year term and the third alternate for a three-year term.

No member of the committee shall vote on, or take part in the discussion of any matter on which the member or any relation of the member has a personal or pecuniary interest.

The committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from their membership and operate under the rules and procedures established by the Board of Selectmen for all boards, committees and commissions of the Town.