

VISION 21 IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Notes of Meeting, February 5, 2004
(Accepted March 18, 2004)

Members present: Jennifer Page, Jenny Fallon, Margaret O'Brien, Paul Solomon, Barry Winston

Members absent: Joseph Greene, Victoria Haase, Matthew Hausmann, Tim Higgins (excused), Bill Hofmann, Sara Oaklander

The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM by the chair, Jennifer Page. There not being a quorum, approval of the minutes for the meetings of January 8 and January 22, 2004, was deferred until the next meeting.

1. Congratulations were extended to Meg O'Brien, chair of the Public Information and Communication Planning Group (PICPG), and Sara Oaklander, chair of the Business and Economic Development Planning Group (BEDPG), for their excellent presentations to the Board of Selectmen on January 26, 2004. Meg noted that Jim Fitzgerald, will convene the PICPG in six months to assess the town's progress on PICPG's recommendations.

Congratulations, also to Barry Winston, Joe Greene, Jenny Fallon, Meg O'Brien and Jennifer Page who completed the task of inserting updates in the welcome booklets. Barry will co-ordinate the redistribution of the booklets to realtors. Barry and Victoria Haase will make the necessary changes on the disc containing the booklet, and Barry will submit it to the town for inclusion in the town's website.

2. Helping Belmont become a more environmentally responsible community.

Jenny Fallon led the discussion, which focussed on a community environmental fair. The plan is to hold the fair at Belmont High School on Saturday May 22, 2004. For the purpose of the discussion, Jenny had prepared a paper which outlined the goals of a fair, its scope, potential participants, and areas which need to be addressed in the planning, such as fund raising, publicity, etc. There was discussion on whether food should be served, should the fair be for adults only or for families, and other issues.

It was agreed that we would invite representatives of a number of constituencies in town to the next meeting of the Implementation Committee on February 26, 2004, at 7pm in the Assembly Room of the library. Committee members present tonight will make the invitations by phone.

Jennifer Page will set up a meeting on February 19 with representatives from other towns who have held similar events.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Solomon,
Secretary pro tem