

VISION IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 6, 2011

Attendees: Tim Bowman, Chair, Kevin Heine, Sara Masucci, Jennifer Page, Michael Sattler, Paul Solomon

Absent: Jerome Dubois, Jane Feinberg, Wendy Rundle

- **Call to Order**

Tim Bowman called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. as Chair. The December 9, 2010 VIC meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

- **Cool Belmont**

This agenda item was moved to the next VIC meeting, scheduled for January 13 at 7 p.m. at the Belmont Public Library, to allow more time for discussion of other agenda items.

- **January 30 VIC Retreat**

The 86A Sherman St. location in Cambridge graciously offered by Michael Sattler is acceptable and will be used for the upcoming VIC retreat. Past VIC member Sarah Oaklander will facilitate the retreat. A draft retreat agenda prepared by the Chair was reviewed and discussed; a final agenda will be developed by the Chair and Sarah.

- **Envision Belmont Report**

A draft report that communicates the findings of the Envision Belmont event was discussed. A significant observation from the event questions how Belmont, as a town, disseminates information to its residents. Results from Envision Belmont point to apparent communication issues and “disconnects” between decisions made by town government and what town residents desire, with some residents feeling like they are not being heard. Draft, actionable recommendations to rectify this situation were discussed and will be incorporated in a final draft Envision Belmont report. The Chair will prepare a final draft report for final review by the VIC at its next meeting.

4 **Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Heine
Secretary pro tem