

TOWN OF KINGSTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES  
August 4, 2009

Chairman Sandra D. MacFarlane opened the meeting of the Board of Selectmen held on August 4, 2009 in the Mayflower Meeting Room at the Plymouth Town Hall on Lincoln Street in Plymouth. Present were Vice Chairman Dennis N. Randall, Richard J. Arruda, Mark S. Beaton, Town Administrator Jill R. Myers and Tom Bott, Town Planner for Kingston. Paul M. Gallagher was absent.

The Board met with the Plymouth Board of Selectmen to discuss the inclusion of Kingston in the Plymouth Economic Target Area. Members of the Plymouth Board of Selectmen that were present were; Chairman Dick Quintal; Vice Chairman David Malaguti, Butch Machado, John Maloney, and William Hallissey. Also present were Melissa Arrighi, Asst. Town Manager, Marc Garrett, Planning Board Chairman, and Denis Hanks, Executive Director of the Plymouth Regional Economic Development Foundation and the Plymouth Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Hanks made a presentation of the benefits to the ETA with respect to Brownfields, local tax incentives, businesses accessing a 5% tax credit, grant consideration, and development tools for communities in the ETA. He detailed Regional benefits that would be realized and how the proposed non-compete language would be handled in the agreement. He finalized his presentation by suggesting the need for an infrastructure agreement between the Towns along with the ETA agreement.

Members of the Kingston Board of Selectmen voiced their appreciation for the invitation to come and discuss the proposal of expanding the ETA to include Kingston and Plympton.

Marc Garret stated that the area where the three Town merged was a corridor and he supported the Towns working cooperatively on Regionalization. Mr. Hanks added that in the draft ETA agreement it was best to include the infrastructure agreement for roadway improvements.

Ms. Arrighi stated that as the host community for the Sheriff Dept. and the proposed movie studio, Plymouth needs to look to how the agreement would benefit Plymouth and it was important for the infrastructure agreement to be part of the ETA agreement.

Ms. Myers advised that in a previous community in which she worked, the host Town that sponsored the ETA, focused on its own business structure then later mapped out an infrastructure agreement. She added that was important to get started and the infrastructure agreement could follow.

Mr. Beaton questioned whether an infrastructure agreement was beyond the scope of the intent of the ETA agreement.

Ms. Arrighi stated that the Board could agree in concept now and work out the details in a MOU.

Chairman Quintal stated that he would like to turn the agreement around quickly and asked Mr. Hanks how long he expected it would take. Mr. Hanks stated just a few weeks.

The Plymouth Board of Selectmen made a motion to agree to the concept of including Kingston in the ETA and an agreement would be forthcoming.

Upon motion made by Mr. Randall and seconded by Mr. Beaton, following a discussion and a 5-0-0 vote, it was—

VOTED:        To adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Town Administrator/Board of Selectmen