

**Monday 8 April 2013**

**Noon**

**Alpine Bank Dillon**

**DEDAC PURPOSE:**

The Committee shall review, either as a full body or as members of assigned ad hoc subcommittees created by the Executive Committee, matters related to economic development which will help Dillon grow and enhance sustainable business and Town revenues, both in the short and the long term.

**Minutes**

Meeting convened at 12:03pm.

Members present: Bonnie Moinet, Eric Jacobson, Susan Fairweather, Merle Klocke, Bill Falcone, Jennifer Cassell, Nathan Nosari

**Old Business:**

1. Property Improvement Grant Update - Council presentation results and requested changes -
  - a. Susan and Nat present to Council and they were very pleased with the program. Council does want a few adjustments:
    - i. Expand program to include Marina Drive, Lake Dillon Drive and Lakefront Drive.
    - ii. Require multiple bids for all projects
  - b. DEDAC agreed on Council recommendations and Nat is sending over the revised proposal.
  
2. Town Core Parking Joint Committee Update

The parking committee has not official met so they have nothing to report. They are going to include additional people to the committee to bring other perspectives. Elena is going to do background research on what other towns have done or are doing. However, Elena had questions:

  - Do we have a parking inventory? (Joe is in the process of completing)
  - What is the maximum amount of density or build-out?

The committee discussed if the Town does or does not have a parking problem. The consensus was 'no' and that Town money should be focused on other projects for the time being.
  
3. Temporary Banners and Signs discussion

The DBA brought this issue to the committee because they want to expand Town Code to allow more flexibility to businesses that use signs and banners. The committee discussed what the administrative burden is on the Town, if there is any enforcement, and if permits for banners are easy to obtain. The committee decided to address only the time duration for displaying signs and banners and did not address the devices that businesses could use.

\*Bill made a motion – to issue a resolution to extend the existing code to allow signs and banners for 4 weeks twice a year for existing businesses. Merle seconded and the committee approved unanimously.

\*Bill made a motion – to issue a resolution to approve a 60 day allowance for temporary banners and signs but no longer than 60 days after opening for new businesses or businesses changing controlling ownership. Jennifer seconded and the committee approved unanimously.

4. Committee Reports -

a. Short Term Committee

- Bill gave an update on the progress of the new softball academy

b. Loan Incentive Committee

- Nat didn't have an update but he suggested a way to partner with banks to help offset the burdens of obtaining businesses loans.

c. Vendor Cart Committee

- The committee discussed the idea of having vendor carts in the Town. The committee agreed that there are many issues to think about with this idea: criteria for carts, goals for Town, competition with existing businesses, location of carts, etc. The committee agreed to discuss further and also take the idea to Council.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25pm