Community Development Committee
Minutes from meeting: 14 November 2013
Location: WRC Conference Room

Committee present: Lynnette Hamilton, Jenepher Burnell, Roger Turner, Emily Kunreuther, Jane Purdy and Gretchen Haverluk
Staff present: Susan McMahon and Cullen Meves

Called to order 4:05 pm
Roger Turner chaired the meeting in Norm Wright’s absence.

1. **Introductions/Minutes Approval**
   The minutes of the 10th of October, 2013 were approved with two abstentions (due to not being at previous meeting).

2. **Windham Regional Plan:**
   - **Recreation Section of the Educational and Cultural Resource Chapter**
   - **Public Facilities Chapter**
     The Committee reviewed and commented on the summary of the Education and Cultural Resource Chapter. The Committee spent some time discussing and revising the recreation and public facilities policies. They did not review the low level/high level radioactive waste or emergency response/planning policies. The Committee felt those were better reviewed by other committees.

3. **Update and Announcements in Topic Areas**
   - **Brownfields**: S. McMahon discussed that she was working on five brownfields sites (3 in Brattleboro, 1 in Bellows Falls and 1 in Londonderry). The petroleum assessment program has been extremely active
   - **Housing** – She explained that one of the brownfields site, R. S. Roberts in Brattleboro, is being investigated for elderly housing for Brattleboro Housing Authority
   - **Cultural and Historic**
   - **Infrastructure**
   - **Recreation**
   - **Economic/Community Development:**
     - S. McMahon announced that the draft Windham Region CEDS will be released December 5th at a public meeting 4:30 to 6:00 Marlboro Graduate Center.
S. McMahon discussed that there was an excellent turn out for the Village and Downtown Revitalization Workshop - Designing Village/Downtown Environments. The next workshop in this series will be on implementation in January in Arlington. Staff is currently working with the towns of Readsboro, Londonderry, Whitingham and Newfane on village revitalization.

S. McMahon discussed that she participated in the Vermont Council on Rural Development Community Visit for Guilford.

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4. **Other Business/Next Meeting**

The Committee decided that they preferred not to meet in December and instructed S. McMahon to send out the draft Windham Region CEDS as soon as possible. S. McMahon will then ask the Committee to reply if they feel a need meet in December to discuss the inclusion of the CEDS, by reference, in the Windham Regional Plan. If not the Committee will meet next on January 9, 2014 and discuss the CEDS and the Windham Regional Plan Economic Development chapter. Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.