Community Development Committee
23 June 2011
4:30 PM
WRC Conference Room

Agenda:

1. **Introductions/Minutes Approval**
   
   Accept/approve minutes of 28 April 2011 (enclosed)

2. **The Blood in This Town – Discussion**

   We have been asked to sponsor a screening of this movie about Rutland the following is taken from the documentary’s website: [http://bloodinthistown.com/Home.html](http://bloodinthistown.com/Home.html)

   The Blood in This Town” chronicles Rutland's drive to revitalize during America’s deep economic crisis, using the town's remarkable Gift-of-Life blood drive to explore how an ailing rust-belt town can rebuild from the grassroots up. Rutland’s act of giving blood in record-breaking numbers becomes a powerful symbol of renewal and social change that radiates throughout the community - in initiatives to engage new ideas and create sustainable businesses, world-class natural recreation, farm-to-table networks, entrepreneurial start-ups, and the revival of a historic downtown.

3. **Village Center Désignation – Approval**

   o Readsboro – letter for village center renewal
   o Saxtons River – letter for village center renewal

4. **Purposes & Objectives statement - Approval**

   Continue discussion on Purpose & Objective Statement. Enclosed is a copy of the statement.

5. **Brownfields Grants - Update**

   EPA recently announced that the Windham Regional Commission will receive $400,000 in EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant funds (petroleum and hazardous substances) and 1 million dollars to establish a Revolving Loan Fund for Brownfields Clean Up. All together this funding has brought a total of $2.75 million dollars in federal brownfields funds to the region.

6. **Update and Announcements in Topic Areas**

   - Brownfields
   - Housing
   - Cultural and Historic:
7. **Other Business/Next Meeting**