

**Special
Brandon Select Board
Meeting
February 24, 2015
7:00 p.m.**

A Joint Meeting of the Select Board, Planning Commission, Development Review Board, and Economic Development Committee was held.

Present from the Select Board: David Atherton, Doug Bailey, Seth Hopkins

Present from the Planning Commission: Jeff Guevin, Marty Feldman, Linda Stewart

Present from the Development Review Board: Sam Stone

Present from the Economic Development Committee:

Also present were representatives of Mainstreet Brandon, the Brandon Area Chamber of Commerce, the Brandon Artists' Guild, and Fire District No. 1, as well as Bill Moore (Town Recreation Department, Economic Development Director) and Robin Bennett (Town Manager), and members of the public.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m., and the agenda was approved without changes, by consent.

Jeff Stewart, Jeff Guevin, Bernie Carr, and Robert Black introduced the goals of the meeting: primarily to improve communication within and among the various groups in Town, to start taking on small projects that have little or no immediate fiscal impact, and to increase accountability and decrease overlap and working at cross-purposes among involved citizens and government.

Participants broke into small groups to discuss roles and responsibilities, then regrouped and synthesized findings. Photographs, videos, and other information are available on the Planning Commission's blog:
<http://planningbrandon.wordpress.com>

In the second segment of the evening, participants again broke out into small groups focusing on two areas adapted from the Vermont Development Action Team (VDAT) report: Branding & Marketing and Public & Private Development. All then regrouped again.

Specific tasks assigned to Selectmen, Town officers, and Planning Commissioners include the following:

- Town Manager to report back to the group on 2/26 meeting with FEMA about rebuilding Green Park;
- Bill Moore (Economic Development Director) and Jeff Guevin (Planning Commission) to work on Town Calendar access and analysis for future coordination of events;
- Marty Feldman (Planning Commission, Economic Development Committee) to build coalition to see to the implementation of a Pathways Program.
- Jeff Guevin (Planning Commission) to Implement Town Plan action step to investigate Village or Growth Center Designation for Forest Dale and Park Village - Planning Commission – and report at next meeting

A follow-up meeting has been tentatively scheduled for March 26, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey P. Guevin
Chair, Brandon Planning Commission