

**Copake Economic Advisory Board**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
August 15, 2008

**Present**

Charles Dodson  
Chris Quinby  
Marcia Peteroy  
Leslie Wood  
Linda Gabaccia  
Morry Ordovery  
Neal Klein

**Excused**

Milbrey Zelle

**Absent**

Walter Kiernan

**Public**

Fiona Hutchinson  
Diane Cinque  
Bob Sacks  
Karen Hallenbeck

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the July meeting by Chris Quinby. This was seconded by Morry Ordovery. Approved unanimously.

**Candidate Interview**

The Town Board was notified five days prior to this meeting that candidates would be interviewed. Morry Ordovery made a motion to go into executive session. Chris Quinby seconded, approved unanimously. The CEAB interviewed Fiona Hutchinson and Karen Hallenbeck. Neil Klein made the motion to leave executive session. Marcia Peteroy seconded. Approved unanimously. The CEAB moved to recommend both candidates to the two vacancies on the board. Both vacancies expire at the end of December, 2009.

**CEAB Agenda**

Charles Dodson led a discussion of the items on the CEAB annual agenda. The votes for all items were collated. Neil Klein made a motion to accept the items as collated. Seconded by Chris Quinby. An attachment lists those items retained, those available on request and those removed.

**Thank You – Copake Community Days**

Chris Quinby read a thank you letter from the Greyhound Friends, Inc.

**Copake Falls Day**

Copake Falls Day plans are extensive 9 – Dusk and will come off this weekend.

**Local Development Corporation**

Charles Dodson shared his ideas regarding Local Development Corporation (LDC) in relationship to two documents: Local Development Corporations written by Municipal Management Series and the section of the state law that makes an LDC possible. He has identified ten other cities who are executing this concept and has initiated contact with two of them. LDCs could potentially provide a mechanism for aiding management of

aspects of economic development (that is bringing outside money into Copake) and management of Copake revitalization.

Linda Gabaccia was truly enthusiastic about this prospect and offered to work toward understanding the LDC concept better. Bob Sacks seconded this. Charles Dodson agreed to chair a subcommittee. Morry Ordoover agreed to work on this as well. Chris Quinby offered to assist in any way he could. Marcia Peteroy also asked to be included. Charles Dodson agreed to organize a meeting.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn by Marcia Peteroy. This was seconded by Chris Quinby. Unanimously approved.

**Tabled**

- Alternate Fuels, On Request nk
- Farmer's Assistance, On Request
- Business Directory, On Request, cld
- Monitoring Copake's Budget, nk
- Copake Comprehensive Plan, cd
- Conservation Resources Advisory Committee Funds, cd
- Tourism, mp
- Town of Copake Policy Manual, cd

The minutes are respectfully submitted by Leslie Wood

Attachments

1. Agenda Items Retained, available on request and removed for 2008-09.

**CEAB AGENDA ITEMS: RETAINED, REMOVED AVAILABLE ON REQUEST**  
**2008-2009**

**ITEMS RETAINED**

**Board Organizational Requirements**

Minutes, By-laws, Budget, Members, Officers  
Board Organization  
Brainstorming/Future Plans/Business Issues

**Tourism**

Columbia County Tourism  
Copake Brochure  
Local Maps

**Current on-going Projects**

Community Days  
Clean-up Day  
Website  
Tri-Town Grant Writers Office

**New Projects**

Taconic Cent. School District Internship  
Local Development Corporation  
Revitalization  
Historic Preservation  
Is Economic Development Wanted?

**ITEMS UPON REQUEST**

Harlem Valley Rail Trail  
Business Directory  
Monitor Copake Budget  
Roe Jan School

Fall Foliage Tour Map  
Oversight: Copake Grants  
Banners

**Information Gathering**

Business Survey  
    Columbia Hudson Partnership  
Broadband  
Invited Speakers

Farmers' Assistance  
Alternate Fuels  
All Electrical Communication

**Reports**

Copake Economics

**Member Liaison Assignments**

Comprehensive Planning Committee  
Inter-committee (CRAC, Town Board)

Copake Policy Manual

**ITEMS REMOVED**

Traffic Tickets  
Church St. Deli

Town Hall Sign  
Little League Economics