

**TIF Alternatives Committee**  
**Eliot Town Hall, August 10 at 6:30 PM**  
**Large Meeting Room - Televised**

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**BY: Wendy Rawski,**  
**Town Clerk**

**MINUTES**

Attendance: Rosann Lentz, Cindy Lentz, Charlie Bradstreet, Michele Duval, Janet Saurman, Bob Pomerleau.

Also: Denny Lentz, Jim Tessier, Dana Lee (Recording Secretary)

- 1) Roll Call / Quorum: The Chair opened the meeting and took roll call. All were present.
- 2) Review / Approve Meeting Minutes of July 27, 2015: A motion was made by B. Pomerleau to approve the minutes as presented. This was seconded by C. Bradstreet and so voted unanimously.
- 3) Work on Citizen Survey: The Chair, assisted by D. Lee, proceeded to go around the Committee soliciting their views on the most critical questions (from the list). Many of the committee members had submitted one form or another of several common themes / questions. Among those were the following: Acquiring / redeveloping land, the several types of infrastructure that could be funded, eco-tourism and related, the many type of direct business assistance, administration / consulting funds, a "multi-purpose" facility and its potential many uses, public transportation, development money for an 1) arts district, 2) a commercial district, 3) a Village Center, 4) a business or "Smartpark," importance of jobs in Eliot, purchase of capital assets associated with econ. Development, where should we focus on development, what kinds of businesses are sought (including health services), level of acceptable growth, and a question on TIF funds for various types of housing.

Also noted was the need for layman's language explaining what is "TIF" and how the money can be used. Discussed whether questions should "guarantee" no local tax dollars to be used, or to frame it as limited or no local funds. Discussed fewer questions and several sub choices to rank or check off for each. Need potentially for some info / description of an item (multi-use center) prior to asking the question.

They asked the Town manager to attempt to draft a survey from the input garnered. He said he thought he could do so.