

# Draft

## Community Development Council

04.02.08 9:30-11:00

Meeting #69

Members in attendance: Renee Balter, Alison Shaw, Priscilla Sylvia,  
Richard Westcott, James Westervelt (recorder)

Excused: Iona Pressley, Nancy Phillips, Terry Appenzellar

Also Present: Ron DiOrio

The problems concerning implementation, coordination, and enforcement of the home business by-law were discussed. It was noted that there remains many unresolved issues. "Grandfathering" was a major concern of the Zoning Enforcement Officer. Many questions were:

1. what businesses are "grandfathered" ?
2. what date to use ?
3. can "grandfathered" businesses be required to now register?
4. are "grandfathered" businesses exempt from any new regulations made by the town
5. what questions regarding "grandfathering" was asked of the town counsel.

The committee then proceeded to review the three lists provided by Adam Wilson. This brought us back to the unresolved problem of "grandfathering". Does the town have the ability to impose regulations on "grandfathered" businesses? We then discussed the possible problem with the fee. Should it be lowered or abolished for "As of Right".

Renee suggested we compile a list of questions regarding the unresolved issues and give them to Michael Dutton, Adam Wilson, and Deborah Ratcliffe. We could then invite them to our next meeting to discuss them. **Priscilla** said she will email them with questions and invite them to our next meeting 5/7.

Selectman Ron DiOrio commented that the overall objective was to enhance the residential neighborhoods and not be a nuisance to homeowners as well as the home business owner.

Renee stated that there will be a "how to get grants" seminar at the VTA conference room on 4/11 at 12:30 sponsored by Rep Delehunt's office. You must call ahead 696-3840.

A short discussion followed on the parking and traffic situation on OB.

Adjourned 1100 am

Next meeting 5/7/08 @ 9:30