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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
March 4, 2008

**In Attendance:** Committee Chairperson Hardman, Councilman France, Councilman Conley, City Administrator Harrill, Visitor Steve Kneeland

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hardman at 5:00 p.m.

**Comprehensive Plan Goals:** Chairperson Hardman stated her pleasure over the Comprehensive Plan Goals. These goals are guidance for making community development the #1 goal and the focus for the City of Waynesville for the next 5-10 years. . Chairperson Hardman also reminded everyone of the Comprehensive Plan meeting set for April 11, 2008, 5:30 p.m. at the County Court House.

**Downtown Beautification Committee Projects:** The City had budgeted \$156,700.00 cash match for the Downtown Project. Councilman Hardman wanted to tell the Downtown Businesses "thank you" as they donated as "cash match" \$241,000.00, which exceeded the grant requirement. The City will be starting on the Bridge Project soon. The Skills USA Club from WTA and the Luke Chatman's landscaping class will be working on the exit 156 East Bond grassy areas and would like to ask citizens to donate to this project. Also the Pulaski Planter Club has adopted all of the downtown planters. To help cover the cost of filling and maintaining the planter the Club will be selling Bluebird houses. For more information contact Shela Debo at Prugh Law Office, 774-6444 or Mrs. Carolyn Denton at 774- 2583.

**Enhance and Market Route 66:** Mr. Kneeland presented the committee with the idea of a Memorial Day Weekend Community Bash. He proposed to block off the downtown square and allow craft and food vendors to set up in designated locations for a nominal fee. These fees would be used to off set any additional cost with the event. Caffè Italia and Route 66 Music is prepared to support the event with music on the square during the event to entertain shoppers and community members alike. Councilman France stated that the City Council finds it favorable when citizens generate new ideas for our City.

**Other Business:** Councilman France would like Mr. Muxlow to review the article in the January 2008 issue of The Missouri Municipal Review concerning the article on "Ordinance Regulating Fences." Chairperson Hardman suggested that Mr. Harrill continue to research the Ordinance concerning the title search portion of the abatement process. Chairperson Hardman and Mr. Harrill are continuing to research new business opportunities.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Hardman.