Town of Barrington Announces the Creation of an Economic Development Committee to Help Support Local Businesses

The Barrington Town Council has established an Economic Development Committee to study ways in which the Town can better serve local businesses and promote Barrington as a business-friendly community. Members of the new committee have been identified and the group has recently begun holding monthly meetings. According to Town Council President June Speakman, the Economic Development Committee was created "to advise the Town on how best to serve the existing business community and attract new businesses to our beautiful town. Barrington is a great place to live, work and play with a first-rate school system, lovely homes and an ideal location on the Barrington River and East Bay area. We believe that our town is strongest with a thriving business community."

According to the founding mandate proposed by the Barrington Town Council, the Economic Development Committee is comprised of residents and business owners who are charged with investigating and evaluating strategies to boost Barrington's local economy, communicating with existing local and prospective businesses, and determining whether a part-time Business Liaison or Economic Development position should be created to facilitate procedures and act as ombudsman for local businesses.

Meetings of the Committee are held monthly and are open to the public. Meeting agendas and minutes can be accessed via links found on the Boards and Commissions page of the Barrington Town website, at

http://www.barrington.ri.gov/boards/index.php , along with an email address for the Committee, a list of its current members, and the Committee's mission statement and current objectives.
