

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (EDC)  
TOWN OF MOUNT AIRY  
Minutes of 10/28/2009 Meeting

Attendees:

Michael VanSant  
Andrew Williamson - Chairman  
Wendi Peters - Council Liaison  
James Linton  
Bill McCullough

Absent:

Bruce Lee  
Dalia Schulman  
Gene Lichtman

Also attending were Tonya Lee, reporter for Mt. Airy Messenger, Antonia Smith, owner of a new business in Mount Airy and Mac Mollet, town resident.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Mt. Airy Town Hall.
2. The minutes for the 23 September 2009 EDC meeting were approved.
3. Mike VanSant, James Linton, and Andrew Williamson provided updates to the EDC Mount Airy Business Inventory. The updates included notation of businesses and telephone numbers. These updates will be incorporated into a spreadsheet being developed and will be reviewed at the next meeting.
4. Antonia Smith, owner of ATS Studios asked for some time to present for the commission her new business located on South Main Street. Her business includes the placement of murals in businesses and homes and decorative work inside of residences and businesses. Examples of her work were provided. She suggested that the town of Mount Airy might want to consider developing as art work on buildings as a means of enhancing the attractiveness of Mount Airy.
5. Wendi Peters provided an update on the status of the "Rigler" annexation coming up for discussion at the Town Council meeting scheduled for 3 November 2009. It was suggested that the Economic Development Commission might want to consider the implications of the annexation and develop a position. After some discussion the commission voted to recommend supporting annexation of the property as part of the master plan with further discussion for use of the property to be conducted at later dates.

6. Because of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, the next meeting for the EDC will combine the November and December meetings and be held on 2 December 2009. Meeting time for the December meeting will be 7:30 p.m.

7. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

**Minutes approved 27 January 2010**