SEVEDS Minutes
September 22, 2011
2-4 PM
Brattleboro Municipal Center

In attendance: Bob Stevens, Tim Cullenen, Stephan Morse, Susan McMahon, Rod Francis, Jenna Pugiliese, Jeff Lewis, Barb Sondag, Drew Richards, Bill Colvin, Lisa Sullivan,  Laura Sibilia

1. Board members reported  on Irene short and long term local priorities
2. The following slate of officers was presented:

Bob Steven – Chair of Board of Directors
Lisa Sullivan – Vice Chair
Jenna Pugiliese – Secretary
Drew Richards – Treasurer

1. **Stephan moved to approve the slate of officers presented, motion seconded by Bill.  Vote: unanimous.**
2. **Steven moved to appoint the officers as the executive committee, motion seconded by Bill.  Vote: unanimous**

There was a next steps discussion on drafts of SeVEDS Bylaws and Letter of Affiliation to BDCC.   Executive Committee will bring recommendations on both to next meeting.

Short/Long Term Priorities Discussion:

1. **a.**Vital Economies Report be requested “as is” due to added economic urgencies resulting from Irene flooding. SeVEDS will react to and edit report. **Drew moved to request Vital Economies Report be delivered as soon as possible, seconded by Stephan.  Vote: unanimous**
2. VY Group: Stephan reported that this group will retain its singular focus on the economic impact of the eventual closing of VY
3. Brief updates on Redevelopment, EDA Planning, CEDS
4. Stephan asked about fundraising progress.  Flood impacts on fundraising were discussed.  Goals of late October, November for fundraising messaging, pitch to begin in earnest.  Discussion about ramping up communication about SeVEDS and pr to assist in fundraising.
5. Next Meeting
	1. Dates:  Thursday October 6th and October 20th 2-4 pm
	Exec Committee 4-5 on October 4th
	2. Bylaws/affiliation approvals progress
	3. Budget discussion
	4. Membership Recommendations from Executive committee