

11/1/07 MOC Meeting Minutes

Voting Members:	Member present	Voting Members:	Member present
Bridgton	Micah Niemy	North Yarmouth	
Cape Elizabeth		Pownal	
Cumberland		Raymond	
Falmouth	Nathan Poore	Scarborough	Jay Chase
Freeport	Donna Larson	Sebago	Robert Nicholson
Gorham	Tom Ellsworth	South Portland	
Gray	George Thebarga	Standish	Caroline Biegle
Harpswell		Windham	Tony Plante
Harrison		Yarmouth	
Long Island		County Commissioner:	Dick Feeney
Naples	Derik Goodine	Ex-Officio Members:	Erik Carson, Westbrook
New Gloucester	David Lunt	Staff:	Aaron Shapiro, Elizabeth Trice, County; Caroline Paras, GPCOG

Others:

Materials:

2008 Application Materials

1) Welcome and Introductions

2) Program Applications – 2008

Aaron distributed new program application, including separate pre-application and planning application, and new rules including requiring 20% match on non-planning applications and board/council approval on all applications. Deadline for pre-applications December 14, Deadline for all applications February 1st. Aaron will make minor edits and send hard and electronic copies to all towns within a few days.

3) Program Schedule – 2008

Included in packet.

4) Application Review Team Membership

Discussion of need to volunteer/appoint new members, preferably those without applications. This year there are supposed to be 3 community members, 1 set-aside community, 1 COG rep, and 1 County staff. Discussion of possibility of having ex-officio members be part of review team. Review team members can be selected at later meeting when communities know if they are submitting an application or not.

5) Potential Regional Program Applications – 2008

Possible Continuation:

Homelessness Program
Prop Housing Rehab
Public Health

Possible new programs:

Prop Weatherization
Regional Housing Strategy Planning
Alpha One Handicap Access Ramps
Energy Efficient Light Bulb Program?

Dick Feeney would like to see report from PROP on housing rehab program to date. Is there a backlog? Staff will convene a group to discuss submitting a regional housing planning grant with Robert, Caroline, Erik, Donna, Nathan, and Derik.

6) Update 2007 projects underway

Aaron will send email newsletter

7) HOME Program Consortium - update

Aaron met with TJ, Lee Urban, Joe Gray. Portland is supportive of joining consortium. Portland would have to be lead applicant. Aaron will convene a negotiating team representing Portland, Westbrook, Brunswick and the County Entitlement Jurisdiction to hammer out a plan over the next four months for a HOME consortium that would bring in another \$600,000 for the count EJ + Brunswick and Westbrook in 2009. **Next meeting not yet planned.**