

**Selectboard Meeting: Recorded March 17,2009**

Public Discussion Comments on the Eagle Mill

- Community use in the Eagle Mill
- Hydro power opportunities with redevelopment
- Community re-use ideas
  - Museum of industry and papermaking
  - Incubator small biz
  - Food processing
- Recreation uses
  - Ice skating rink
  - Swimming pool
- How do residential units impact the existing downtown biz
- Is there financing or detailed development plans for this project
- 5 mile radius for spending
  - Suggestion that shopping radius might be larger for Lee
- How does/will the Mill connect with existing downtown
- Lack of entertainment and recreation in Lee
- Movie theater as part of redevelopment
- Fire Museum (from Pittsfield)
- BCC or other college branch campus
- River walk attraction
- Marketplace as bookend
  - Sit down restaurant
  - retail
- boutique hotel
- SB: residential units – school system impact
- SB: has increasing the height of the building been explored
- Demographic information may not be accurate due to the economic changes in the last 6 months
- What is development goal – attract new residents or retain existing residents
- Rebrand as “Hub of the Berkshires”
- Environmental viability of development
- Job creation
  - High tech industry jobs
  - Green technology
- Traffic implications

## Town of Lee, 43D Priority Development Sites Project

- The foundation conditions for each mill building
- How would site tie into the existing rail lines
- Are there any potential problems with the existing industrial bylaws for reuse and redevelopment
- SB: due to mill's obscured frontage there is not a strong historic sentiment within community
- SB: which portions of the Mill buildings are eligible for historic preservation
- SB: how would the removal or incorporation of street frontage buildings
- SB: are the railroad tracks a problem for development
- Existing buildings on Center Street might be available for sale
- River frontage building more visually important than Center Street frontage
- What portion of the grant money has been used
- SB: where is the grant process
- There is a great catch and release fishing location at the bridge