

Bi-Town Economic Development Committee
Thursday, January 10, 2019

Attendees: Vickie Capitani, Gretchen Havreluk, Heidi Taylor, Tom Fitzgerald, Brendan McGrail, Steve Neratko, Tesfa Jacobs. **In addition:** Scott Tucker, Lauren Harkawik.

- Recruitment and retention of police officers were discussed.
- Gretchen Havreluk reported that a municipal planning grant application for an economic development study was denied. The group may conduct the study, however, using other funds.
- The issue of affordable housing was also discussed. Gretchen noted that the committee is seeking a consultant to compile inventory, needs and implementation requirements.
- Steve Neratko said that Dover has \$10,000 allocated for a potential housing plan. He also said that costs of the study could range from \$10,000 to \$20,000. He noted that the budget for Dover Economic Development has doubled to accommodate town-wide high speed broadband, estimated at 1 to 1.5 million dollars.