

Southborough Economic Development Committee Members

The Economic Development Committee is an appointed 10-member board comprised of members with a wide range of talent. Whether an individual or a company is looking to locate or expand in Southborough, the committee is your resource to assist with the process. Please contact Economic Development Coordinator, Pam DiGiovanni 508-485-0710 (3011) or by email pdigiovanni@southboroughma.com with any questions.



Dave McCay is a partner in the litigation and land use groups at Mirick, O'Connell, DeMallie & Lougee where he assists clients in the resolution of complex real estate, environmental and business disputes throughout Massachusetts. He is active in the Boroughs+ region serving as the Chair of the Southborough Economic Development Committee and the Marlborough Regional Chamber of Commerce. Dave is also member of the Board of Directors of the 495/MetroWest Partnership, the Advisory Board of the MetroWest Economic Research Center at Framingham State University, and the Marlborough Economic Development Corporation. Dave is a passionate advocate for his clients and for the economic vitality of his adopted home of Southborough and the Boroughs+ region.



Julie Connelly has served as the Vice Chair of the Economic Development Committee since its inception in 2013. Julie works as in-house real estate legal counsel for CVS Health and has legal expertise on purchase, sale, leasing, construction and land use issues for commercial properties. Julie is committed to responsible and purposeful economic development that is consistent with the historic and beautiful character of Southborough that can be supported by Southborough's innovative, educated and skilled workforce.



Vanessa Hale is the Assistant Town Administrator/Personnel Liaison for the Town of Southborough, a position she has held for fourteen years. Vanessa often sits in for the Town Administrator who is an ex-officio member and represents the Board of Selectmen and other committees at various meetings and functions. She is a liaison between the Administrative offices and multiple boards, committees, officials and residents. Prior to coming to Southborough, Vanessa was employed by the towns of Northborough and Sherborn, as well as the Massachusetts Municipal Association and the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts.

Vanessa is in her sixth year as Vice Chair of the Massachusetts Municipal Personnel Association.



Dan Kolenda is a Southborough Board of Selectman and representative of the Board to the Economic Development Committee and is also a member of the Algonquin Regional School Committee and Southborough Little League. Dan is Vice President and Managing Assistant General Counsel, CA Technologies and is a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army Reserves, JAG Corps. He is committed to responsible economic development in Southborough that enhances our town's rural character and adds to our collective tax base, helping to alleviate our residential tax burden.



Thomas Moschos is an Assistant Vice President of Corporate Banking at Commerce Bank & Trust Company, headquartered in Worcester, MA. He provides financing to corporate commercial businesses in Massachusetts. He is very active with the Worcester Chamber of Commerce, the Corridor Nine Chamber of Commerce and the Worcester's Young Businessman Associates. As a recent appointed trustee of Mechanics Hall of Worcester, MA, he is very active in supporting economic growth and advancement for small businesses in Central and Metro-west regions.



Bill Pezzoni is a partner with Day Pitney and concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial lending, real estate and land use law. Bill is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee for the Marlborough Economic Development Corp., a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee for the 495 Partnership and a Past Chair of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee, for the Metro West Chamber of Commerce; a member of the Board of Governors for the Metro West Boys' and Girls' Club; and a member of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee.



Mark J. Purple is the Town Administrator for the Town of Southborough, and has held that position since 2012. Mark brings a passion for and knowledge of local government to the position, having served in various municipal roles during his 21-year career. Prior to coming to Southborough, Mark has served as Executive Secretary in Millville, MA, Town Administrator in Ashburnham, MA, Assistant Town Manager in Framingham, MA, and Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director in Ashland, MA. Mark is also the President of the Massachusetts Municipal Management Association (MMMA), and has served on its Executive Committee for the past eight years. Mark is an active member in both the MMMA and the International City/County Management Association.



Claire Reynolds has over 19 years of service to the Town mostly with the financial Advisory committee and was recently appointed to the EDC. Her professional background includes 30 years of diversified experience in sales/technical training, IT consulting and product marketing. Her business, CCR Consulting provides business process consulting and training delivery of PC applications and soft skills. As a small business owner, she has the perspective of what is necessary to support and attract small business owners to the Route 9 office park area.



Christopher Robbins is a member of the Board of Directors - Corridor Nine Area Chamber of Commerce; Board of Directors, Alliance Health & Human Services (Newton, and Southborough, MA), a not-for-profit that delivers health care and related services for elders and children. Chris served on Southborough's Zoning Board of Appeals and on the Capital Budget Committee. He was President of the Southborough Business Association and Rotary International. He has over thirty years in management consulting assisting organizations to maximize performance. A passionate advocate of Southborough taking responsibility of its local economy and job creation, he is committed to working collaboratively with business leaders, town officials, nonprofit leaders, residents and neighboring communities, thereby enabling the town to achieve sustainable growth. Chris is President of the Armed Forces Committee of Worcester County and served in the U.S. Army & Reserves - Major (Ret.)



Pam DiGiovanni, is the Economic Development Coordinator for the Committee. She has 13 years' experience with economic and community development, outreach, project management and program development within the public sector. Before joining the Town of Southborough, Pam served as the economic development program manager for MassDOT, where she worked closely with over 80 communities to revitalize downtowns to help create and retain jobs. Pam also served as assistant director for the Federal Transit Administration's National Rural Transit Assistance Program, where she provided project management and technical assistance related to rural and tribal transit projects nationwide. She has held key positions within the Commonwealth's Executive Branch, including MassDOT's government relations director and director of policy. Pam holds a BA from St. Anselm College and MSPS from Suffolk University.

Town Planner Member

(Position Vacant)