

**Mendon Planning Commission Minutes (Draft)**  
**March 9, 2020**

**Present:** Fred Bagley, Gary Sihler and Teri Corsones were present for an abbreviated meeting, given time constraints of members present. The draft February 3, 2020 minutes were approved as written.

**Paquette Property Management:** Zoning Administrator Steve Cosgrove advised Teri prior to the meeting that Paquette Property Management has submitted an application to amend its site plan approval to construct a new 40' x 100' storage building at the site. Teri will prepare a Notice of Hearing and send it to the applicant along with a template for the letter to adjoining landowners. The hearing will be noticed for April 6, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

**Cortina Inn:** Steve also advised Teri prior to the meeting that Bhakta Care LLC has provided the necessary information to notice the application for Phase II of the project. The application will be to convert the middle wing of the hotel to 16 Residential Board and Care rooms. Eleven of the rooms will be for Memory Care studios and five of the rooms will be for Assisted Living suites. Teri will prepare a Notice of Hearing and send it to the applicant along with a template for the letter to adjoining landowners. The hearing will be scheduled for April 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**Mendon Town Plan:** Teri notified Town Administrator Sara Tully of the outcome of the MPC public hearing regarding the Mendon Town Plan on February 19, 2020. Sara indicated that the Select Board public hearing regarding the Mendon Town Plan will be scheduled for Monday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m.

**Enhanced Energy Plan:** Members continued their review of the draft Enhanced Energy Plan. Justin Lindholm was not able to attend the meeting, but Teri will check on the status of his discussion with Rutland City DPW Commissioner Jeff Wennberg regarding preferred sites for solar energy generation.

The draft Enhanced Energy Plan includes a number of references to Rutland Town properties. It's unclear whether some of the acreage figures might pertain to Rutland Town, versus Mendon. Members would like to confirm where open areas in Mendon are located on the mapping that the RRPC has provided, which open areas might be suitable for preferred sites for renewable energy generation. Fred offered to meet with Barbara Pulling to clarify the location of those open areas.

Teri will contact Barbara for that purpose. She will also follow up on the VTRANS and VELCO questions referenced in the February 3, 2020 minutes.

**AT&T Wireless Communication Facility:** Teri will inquire as to the status of the new balloon test dates(s). It's her understanding that the Town is still awaiting information that Will Dodge indicated that A T & T would provide following the Joint Select Board/MPC meeting with him and other A T & T representatives on February 27, 2020.

The next regular meeting of the Mendon Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday, April 6, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. at the Mendon Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Corsones