

Mendon Economic Development Committee (MEDC)

June 6, 2018 meeting at Mendon Town Office at 5:30pm

Attendees- Richard Wilcox, Fred Bradley, Brittany Charles, Cort Jones, Mark Latzky, Nicole Kesselring, Bryan Sell, and Julia Purdy

Agenda- Additions included discussing the Beaver Pond on Rt 4, and Telephone pole removal

Minutes of the last meeting, March 27, 2018, were distributed and approved

1. Proposed Mountain Bike Trail- from Killington to Pine Hill Park- background of Shelly Lutz communication of introduction of the possible connection thru Mendon, and detail provided by Bryan Sell. How to connect, possible routes with advantages and disadvantages detailed, the attraction to bikers of a primarily downhill trail(s), a survey of Pine Hill Park users, a description of the trail system intended to be “managed” trails (environmentally friendly), possible support from bike clubs, a desire from the committee for a positive economic impact, shuttles, a hotel in Mendon that would be biker friendly- were all discussed. Bryan and Nicole looking for Mendon help in contacting and access to landowners to help make the trail(s) happen. Committee indicated their interest and support.
2. Business survey- Committee to get the survey of Mendon business started. Sara will complete the list and committee member sign ups and distribute. Office will prepare copies of the survey for pick up. Goal is to have a starter number of surveys done for the next meeting.
3. Tax stabilization- Sara unable to this point to schedule a meeting with Bill Moore of Brandon to discuss details of Brandon’s tax stabilization plan. We will continue to seek that meeting. The committee will contact VLCT for similar towns’ tax stabilization plans.
4. Beaver pond- Fred shared that the beaver pond on route 4 is now drained, and the parking space now has a sign and kiosk that is unused and a potential eyesore, and asked committee members to take a look.
5. Utility poles- concern expressed that that although some of the duplicated poles on RT 4 have been removed, the section from Meadow Lake drive west have not. Suggestion that the town contact the PSB. Related appearance concern about business signs of closed properties being taken down in a timely manner, to be referred to Selectboard and administrator.

Next MEDC meeting set for Tuesday, July 10th at 5:30pm at the Town Office.