

Mendon Planning Commission Minutes
June 5, 2018

Present: Fred Bagley, Phil Douglas, Neil Langer and Teri Corsones were present. The draft minutes of May 7, 2018 were approved as written. State Representative Jim Harrison stopped by the meeting and indicated that he plans to attend the event on June 9.

Mendon Community Potluck Cook-Out: Elysa Smigielski from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission was present by telephone to continue the planning for the Mendon Community Potluck Cook-Out scheduled for Saturday, June 9 from 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Mendon Recreation Area. The rain date will be June 10. Teri indicated that the Mendon Recreation Committee was meeting at Betsy Reddy's house, across from the Mendon Recreation Area. That committee suggested meeting at the site to coordinate the planning. Members drove to the site accordingly.

With respect to the survey questions, members asked that a summary of the responses to the Town Meeting Day survey be provided in the exercise. Elysa will do so, including the questions about new businesses, recreational opportunities, and what residents love most about Mendon. Elysa will also devise a mechanism for residents to provide suggestions about what would attract new businesses to Mendon, where they would like to see mountain bike paths, their favorite wildlife sightings, and their favorite recreational activities. Persons who participate in the survey will be able to enter a drawing for a Vermont products gift basket, and/or a kids' toy gift basket that Teri will put together.

The town road crew is not available to set up for the event. Fred, Phil, Teri, Cort Corsones, Jim and Betsy Reddy, Larry Courcelle and Liam Fracht-Monroe will be at the ball field on Saturday at 8:00 a.m. to set up the tent, tables, chairs and grill. Teri will also bring 20 white Adirondack chairs, a badminton set, softball equipment, giant bubbles, balloons and kids' games and equipment. Betsy will bring a cornhole game. Elysa and Phil divided up the food, beverage and paper goods lists. Elysa will bring sharpies, pens and name tags. Teri suggested signage for the top of Killington Avenue, the corner of South Mendon Road, the ball field parking lot, and the Mendon Trails starting point. Elysa will prepare the signage and bring it Saturday morning.

Elysa has made arrangements for notices about the event to be posted in the Rutland Herald. She has not been able to connect with any reporters to do a story. She said that the Town doesn't have an e-mail distribution list. Fred suggested distributing reminder flyers about the event in residents' mailboxes. The weather forecast looks promising.

The next Mendon Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 2, 2018 at 5:15 p.m. at the Mendon Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Corsones