

Mendon Planning Commission Minutes (Draft) **November 4, 2019**

Present: Justin Lindholm, Fred Bagley, Phil Douglas and Teri Corsones were present. The draft October 7, 2019 minutes were approved as written.

Mendon Town Plan: Members reviewed the changes in red to the draft Mendon Town Plan that Teri provided at the Select Board public hearing on October 28, 2019. Several additional minor changes were made, which Teri will incorporate with track changes. The word “image” will be removed from the photo credits. The Energy Section will be removed, and reference to the Mendon Enhanced Energy Plan will be inserted in its place.

Enhanced Energy Plan: Barbara Noyes Pulling was present from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, to continue the discussion from the October 7, 2019 Mendon Planning Commission meeting concerning a draft Enhanced Energy Plan for Mendon.

Teri provided hand-written notes with the modifications discussed at the September 9 and October 17 hearings. She’ll incorporate the hand-written notes into a track change draft before the next meeting. Justin reviewed the questions he has about the data in the “Development and Siting of Renewable Energy Sources” table. In particular, he believes that the reference to 2,689 MW should be 268 MW. Barbara will doublecheck the data. There are still a number of references to Rutland Town and at least one reference to Brandon, which will be removed.

It was agreed to continue the discussion of the Enhanced Energy Plan draft to Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Members felt it preferable to continue working on the draft in the hopes of finalizing a modified version of the Mendon Town Plan and finalizing the Enhanced Energy Plan draft as soon as possible. Once each is finalized, the next Mendon Planning Commission public hearing on the Plans can be scheduled. After that public hearing, the drafts will be sent to the Select Board so that the Select Board public hearing can be scheduled. Barbara explained that the Rutland Regional Planning Commission will schedule a review after the Select Board public hearing.

Teri will contact Jeff Wennberg about meeting with Justin Lindholm so that they can better identify the location of the 90 acre “preferred site” within the Rutland City Watershed.

The next meeting of the Mendon Planning Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Mendon Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Corsones