

# MENDON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Meeting Date	April 3, 2018
Location	Mendon Town Hall
Status	Approved

#### Present

Mike Goddard, Kathy Schofield, Lynne Roberts

# 7:10 Call to Order

Chairman Mike Goddard called the meeting to order.

### 7:10 Review Demolition Permit for 7 Nipmuc Drive

Patrice Doucette is presently working on the deed search for 7 Nipmuc Drive. It appears the building dates back to the 1900's. Based on initial information the structure meets two of the criteria under the demolition delay bylaw. It was determined that the Historical Commission should meet with or speak with the owner and request a site visit. Kathy will schedule that.

### 7:20 Renaming the Old Taft Library / Union Chapel

After discussion regarding the history of the building a decision was made by the Commission to recommend the building be named the Rosa Taft Municipal Building. Rosa purchased and gave the building to the Town and Commission members felt it was appropriate to name the building after her.

# 7:30 Homeowner Packet for Demo Permits

Members discussed distributing packets to homeowners looking to demolish properties. The Commission will continue working on the process and identifying the recipients.

#### 7:45 Request for Local Historic District Committee to Meet

Mike will request the Board of Selectmen work to get the group assembled and make any additional appointments needed.

# 8:00 Discuss CPA Funding of Restoration of Locust Hill Cemetery

The Commission discussed the condition of the cemetery and will make a recommendation to request CPA funding for renovation in the future.

#### 8:15 Scenic Roadways

At the request of the land use committee the commission was asked to discuss adding Hopedale Street as a Scenic Roadway. The members discussed if there were more that should be considered. Washington Street, Kinsley, Thornton Street Extention and Mowry were the recommendations. Kathy will check on status of Thornton Street Extention with the Highway Dept.

# 8:30 Review Meeting Minutes and New Items

Meeting minutes were not reviewed. The group discussed the need to review the Demolition Delay Bylaw in other towns and see how they handle demo by neglect. There is interest to work on extending the delay from 6 months to 9-12 months. Kathy moved to adjourn the meeting. Lynne seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion to adjourn.