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(Acting Chair)

## TOWN OF MENDON

350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

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Sharon Cutler  
Sorcha DeFrancesco  
Jonathan Dudley  
Dick Ferrucci  
Kathleen Sedgeley Nicholson  
Morgan Smith  
Wayne Wagner

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**Meeting Date: 1/15/15**

**Meeting Location: Mendon Town Hall**

**Minutes Approved: 2/26/2015**

**Members Present:** Dan Byer, AJ Byrne, Sharon Cutler, Sorcha DeFrancesco, Kathleen Sedgeley Nicholson, Kevin Rudden, Morgan Smith, Wayne Wagner

**Absent:** Jonathan Dudley, Dick Ferrucci

**Others:** Rich Schofield

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

The board discussed funding. Sharon asked about the rules regarding fundraising and special accounts. Rich stated that the committee would have to ask the Selectman to authorize a special account.

*Dan will talk to Linda and Claudia to get more information on finances.*

Rich announced that at a Community Preservation meeting the previous night, they discussed and approved an engineering study to review the downtown area focusing on ADA compliance and possible landscaping to coincide with the 350<sup>th</sup>.

The board discussed organization. Rich will contact the Brothers of the Brush to schedule a meeting to determine their desired involvement in the 350<sup>th</sup>. He suggested a joint meeting between the 2 groups. After further discussion the Kevin nominated Sharon to serve as the chair. Sharon declined stating that she wasn't sure she could commit the time required. After further discussion Kevin agreed to serve as acting chair of the 350<sup>th</sup> committee.

The board discussed several other publicity ideas including a logo, social media pages and countdown timers. The board discussed the next steps and decided to go around the room and brainstorm ideas for events and possible fundraising.

**The following page lists those ideas, sorted out into categories.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

<b>Events - Actual 350<sup>th</sup> - 5/15/17</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>Timeline</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Organizing Committee/Group</b>
<b>Promotions</b>			
Crier Countdown	Timeframe?		
Clock			
Logo			
Facebook page		Need pics, content	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/Mendon350">https://www.facebook.com/Mendon350</a>
<b>Fundraising</b>			
Pre-sale DVD			
Coupon Book			
History Book			
Memorabilia (shirts, mugs, etc)			
Shaving Permits			
Coins			Kevin?
Famous Mendon residents			
<b>Ceremonies</b>			
Parade			350th?
Opening ATM with ceremony	5/6/16 OR 5/5/17		
Nipmuc Indians, Tree Planting?			
Library Dedication	2017?? Month?		
MA Legislature Proclamation			
Memorial Day			
Time Capsule		Any existing?	
<b>Existing Events</b>			
Tree Lighting	Dec 2016		Scouts?
Annual Town Fair	Oct 2016	Past events?	Lions?
Beach Blast			
Cardboard Boat Race			Library/Parks?
Baseball/Softball Opening Day			Baseball/Softball/Parks?
Circus			Lions?
Concerts		Summer Beach, or New?	
<b>New Events</b>			
Fireworks			350 <sup>th</sup> ?
Aerosmith Concert			
Block Party	May 2017?		350?
"Reunion" BBQ/Event		Along with "Beach Blast"	Parks?
Formal Dinner/Dance		Fundraiser?	
Lectures on Mendon History			Historical Commission?
Recreation – Historic Games			Parks ?
Tractors/Farms		Tie-In to fair?	
Race/5K/Marathon		include all towns	
Antique Fireman's Muster			
Sports between towns			
Bike Ride/Trail			
Scavenger Hunt, Historical		Incentive to attend lectures	
Reenactments			
Trolley Tours			
Drive In Screenings			
Blackstone Valley Corridor			
House Tours			