



MEETING MINUTES

BOARD/COMMITTEE NAME: Mendon Economic Development Committee

DATE OF MEETING: Wednesday February 13, 2019

TIME OF MEETING: 6:30 P.M.

LOCATION OF MEETING: Town Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Merolli (Chair), Jordan Guzman, John Danielson, Ann Mazar, Seth Shurfro (Non-Voting)

Members Absent: Tim Persson

1. Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM by chair Tom Merolli
2. Discussed proposal from "Radical Solutions", a business which visited the Open For Business Breakfast, to provide energy aggregation for businesses in town. Committee decided to table this pending the outcome of a green energy aggregation plan currently being negotiated by the town.
3. The need for new members remains, as the board needs 4 for a quorum.
4. Seth Shurfro has not heard back from Rockland Trust about the potential for low interest bank loans for new businesses in town
5. Tom Merolli discussed the farm and animal tax, a tax which brings in a low amount of revenue. The board members present unanimously voted to support the abolition of this tax, and signed a letter indicating their support to do so.

6. Restaurant Week is still on for the first two weeks of June.
7. The Board of Selectmen are looking to appraise town owned land and would like the EDC's input on which parcels to appraise. Tom found 39 town owned parcels. The EDC decided of these, the ones that should be appraised are the three parcels on Rt. 16, the parcel on Providence St., and the empty building on Morrison Drive. Ann Mazar is putting together an RFP for the house lot owned by the town on Inman Hill Rd. She is also looking into whether or not the conservation restriction on the town owned lot on Rt. 16 can be moved.
8. Tom Merolli adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM

The Chair reserves the right to call items on the agenda out of order. The times that are listed for items are approximate times, and items may be reached earlier or later than the posted times. The listing of items is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.