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MEETING NOTICE

A meeting of the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission
will be held on:

Thursday, July 10, 2014 at **5:30 p.m.**

Berkshire Regional Planning Commission Offices
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Meeting Material: All written materials for the meeting are posted on BRPC's website:
www.berkshireplanning.org. Click on the calendar date for the meeting and materials available
will be listed.

AGENDA

- I. Opening (5:30-5:35)**
- A. Call to Order
 - B. Roll Call
 - C. Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2014 Meeting
- II. Comments from the Public (5:35-5:40)**
- Members of the public may offer comments regarding topics which are on the agenda or other matters which they wish to bring to the Commission's attention. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes and are to be directed to the Commission.*
- III. Delegates' Issues (5:40-5:45)**
- Delegates and Alternates may bring up any issue not on the agenda.*
- IV. Election of BRPC Officers for FY 2015 (5:45-5:55)**
- The Nominating Committee proposed the following slate of officers for FY 2015:*
- Chair: Sheila Irvin, Pittsfield Delegate*
 - Vice Chair: Kyle Hanlon, North Adams Delegate*
 - Clerk: Marie Raftery, Stockbridge Alternate*
 - Treasurer: Charles Ogden, Egremont Alternate*
- Nominations will be taken from the floor.*
- V. Endorsement of Committee Chair and At-Large Executive Committee Member Appointments (5:55-6:00)**

VI. Consideration of Clearinghouse Review Committee Comments on Connecticut Expansion Project of the Tennessee Gas Pipeline (Sandisfield and Tyringham) Expanded Environmental Notification Form (6:00-6:20)

An EENF has been filed for expansion of the existing Tennessee Gas Pipeline in Sandisfield, with an associated pipeyard in Tyringham. The Clearinghouse Review Committee met on June 25th and endorsed proposed comments on this significant infrastructure project. Commission consideration of the comments is requested.

VII. Consideration of Comments on H.4065 – An Act Promoting the Planning and Development of Sustainable Communities (6:20-6:50)

The Regional Issues Committee has met on the most recent version of the land use reform legislation (now H.4065, previously H.1859). This bill has been reported favorably from the Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government and is awaiting action in the House Ways & Means Committee. The BRPC Regional Issues Committee has recommended a proposed letter to be shared with our legislative delegation, the House and Senate Committee Chairs, the Speaker of the House and the Senate President. A copy of the draft letter is attached and further information is available on the BRPC website with Commission meeting materials.

VIII. Approval of Executive Committee Actions between May 16 and July 10, 2014 (6:50-6:55)

IX. Executive Director's Report (6:55-7:00)

- A. 2015 District Local Technical Assistance & Community Innovation Challenge Grant Funding
- B. Nominations for 2014 Charles Kusik Award for Outstanding Contributions to Planning in Berkshire County
- C. MassBroadband 123 – Get Connected – Monday, July 14th, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Pittsfield
- D. New Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals Member Training – Thursday, July 31st, BRPC
- E. New Pavement Management Assessments in Great Barrington and Lee
- F. Assistance to Sandisfield in Procuring Public Works Construction Services for Various Segments of New Hartford Road
- G. Other

X. Adjournment (7:00)

Other interested citizens and officials are invited to attend.

City and Town Clerks: Please post this notice pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23B