



## HOUSATONIC REST OF RIVER MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

### Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2022; Zoom Meeting

**1. Introductions.** Tom Matuszko opened the meeting at 1:03pm, announced it was being recorded; introduced each of the Committee members by having each member state their name and their represented municipality; and noted BRPC staff in attendance. Attending the meeting were the following Committee members:

Pat Carlino, Lee Select Board & Representative  
Channing Gibson, Lenox Representative  
Chris Rembold, Great Barrington Town Planner, Assistant Town Manager & Representative  
Steve Shatz, Stockbridge Representative  
R. Wood, Sheffield Select Board & Representative

and: Tom Matuszko, BRPC  
Melissa Provencher, BRPC  
Lauren Gaherty, BRPC

Public: Clarence Fanto, Berkshire Eagle

**2. Review of minutes of February 4, 2022 meeting.** **A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by P. Carlino, seconded C. Gibson, and approved 5-0 on a roll call vote.**

After the minutes were approval, discussion continued from prior to the meeting where P. Carlino said she did not plan to run for re-election as Select Board member in Lee. Noting that it was a hard decision, she is ready to end her 24 years of service. She indicated two residents have taken out papers, one of whom was on the Board before. Many Committee members expressed their deep appreciation for her continued contributions to the committee over an extended period of time.

**3. Public Comments.** None

**4. Other business & next meeting.** There was no other business; the next meeting was set for Friday 2/18/22 at 9am.

**5. Executive Session – Legal Strategy and Adjournment.** **On a motion made by R. Wood, seconded by P. Carlino, and passed by 5-0 roll call vote, the Rest of River Municipal Committee went into Executive Session, per MGL C.30a, §21(a) pursuant to purpose 3, to discuss their strategy with respect to litigation and the ongoing appeal concerning the Rest of River cleanup, as the Chair found that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Rest of River municipalities' litigation position. The committee stated it would not come back into open session.** The Committee went into Executive Session at 1:09pm.

Meeting Materials: Meeting Agenda 2/14/22, Meeting Minutes of 2/4/22.

Respectfully submitted by  
Rene Wood,  
Sheffield's Representative