



HOUSATONIC REST OF RIVER MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2021; Zoom Meeting

1. Introductions. Tom Matuszko opened the meeting at 9:05am, announced it was being recorded and introduced each of the Committee members, each of whom stated their name and their represented municipality. BRPC staff and consultants did the same.

Attending the meeting were the following Committee members:

Channing Gibson, Lenox Representative
Steve Shatz, Stockbridge Representative
R. Wood, Sheffield Select Board & Representative

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

Members of the public: Clarence Fanto
Brenda St. Pierre

2. Review of minutes of June 11, 2021 meeting.

A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by S. Shatz, seconded C. Gibson, and approved 3-0 on a roll call vote.

3. Public Comments. None

4. Other Business.

S. Shatz raised the subject of returning to in-person meetings. Discussion ensued regarding making these hybrid meetings and the technology to do so was reviewed. It was decided to make the next public meeting a hybrid meeting, possibly at Stockbridge Town Hall. No date was set.

5. Executive Session – Legal Strategy and Adjournment.

On a motion made by R. Wood, seconded by C. Gibson, and passed by 3-0 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 strategy with respect to litigation and 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 announced it will not return to open session; went into Executive Session at 9:12am.

Meeting Materials: Meeting Agenda 6-25-21, Meeting Minutes of 6-11-21.

Respectfully submitted,
Rene Wood, Sheffield's Representative