



HOUSATONIC REST OF RIVER MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

June 3, 2022; Virtual Meeting

1. Introductions. T. Matuszko opened the meeting at 9:00am, announced it was being recorded, being held under Mass virtual meeting provisions, and asked each person to introduce themselves and state the community they represented. He then introduced members present from BRPC. 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 (9:03am)
Rene Wood, Sheffield Select Board & Representative

and: Tom Matuszko, BRPC
Melissa Provencher, BRPC

Public: None

2. Review of minutes of April 22, 2022 meeting. *A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by C. Gibson, seconded by P. Carlino, and approved 4-0 on a roll call vote.*

3. Public Comments. None

4. Status of Cleanup Activities.

M. Provencher stated no EPA updates were received this week.

5. Other Business & Next Meeting(s).

It was reported that the Lee Conservation Committee, at its 6/1/22 meeting, is working with EPA and GE on an Upland Disposal Site property walk; implications if site visit scheduled as a public meeting. EPA's offer for tailored outreach is still in discussion. No next meeting date was set; will be scheduled as needed.

6. Executive Session – Legal Strategy. *On a motion made by R. Wood, seconded by C. Rembold, 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 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 return to open session.*

The Committee went into Executive Session at 9:08am.

Respectfully submitted by
Rene Wood,
Sheffield's Representative

Meeting Materials: Meeting Agenda 6-3-22; Meeting Minutes of 4-22-22