



HOUSATONIC REST OF RIVER MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Rest of River Municipal Committee
October 19, 2018, 9:00 a.m., Lee Town Hall

1. Introductions (9:00 am)
2. Review of minutes of October 12, 2018 meeting (9:05 am)
3. Executive Session – legal strategy, mediation (9:15 – 10:45 am)
4. Other Business (10:45 am – 10:55 am)
5. Adjournment (approximately 11:00 am)

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

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HOUSATONIC REST OF RIVER MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes

Rest of River Municipal Committee; October 19, 2018, Lee Town Hall,

1. Introductions. N. Karns opened the meeting at 9:05 am. Attending the meeting were the following Committee members:

Pat Carlino, Lee Select Board
Channing Gibson, Lenox Representative
Steve Shatz, Stockbridge Representative
Rene Wood, Sheffield Select Board

Others present:

Lauren Gaherty, BRPC
Nat Karns, BRPC
Christopher Ketchen, Chief Administrative Officer, Towns of Lee and Lenox (9:17am)

Absent: Chris Rembold, Great Barrington Town Planner and Representative and Tom Matuszko, BRPC

2. Review of minutes of October 12, 2018 meeting. Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by S. Shatz, seconded by R. Wood, and approved unanimously.

3. Executive Session – for legal strategy and mediation. N. Karns requested a motion to go into Executive Session for mediation regarding the EPA Rest of River clean-up and the appeals of the EPA's Permit and the EAB decision. The Rest of River Committee will reconvene in regular session. **A motion made by C. Gibson, and seconded by P. Carlino, for the Committee to enter into Executive Session as stated above and return to open session, carried unanimously with the following roll call vote: P. Carlino, Lee, AYE; C. Gibson, Lenox, AYE; S. Shatz, Stockbridge, AYE; and R. Wood, Sheffield, AYE.** The Committee went into Executive Session at 9:10am.

4. Return to Open Session. At 10:40 am, the Committee returned to open session. L. Gaherty announced her retirement as of 12/31/18; Melissa Provencher of BRPC will assume her ROR responsibilities. The legal budget was discussed; the current budget is, after September bills paid, approximately \$127,000, which includes FY19 appropriations. **A motion was made by R. Wood, seconded by P. Carlino, to authorize an amount not to exceed \$5000 for additional legal expenses. The motion passed unanimously.** The Committee is expecting M. Pawa to provide a draft budget and contingency representation offer at its next meeting; S. Schatz spoke in opposition to any contingency offer.

The 10/26 meeting with J. Bickerman is tentatively scheduled for 10am at Stockbridge Town Hall. L. Gaherty will confirm.

Motion to adjourn from open session made by R. Wood, seconded by C. Gibson and passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 10:52 am.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Agenda 10-19-2018
- Draft Meeting Minutes of 10-12-2018

Respectfully submitted,
Rene Wood, Sheffield's Representative