



APPROVED MINUTES

Commission Development Committee

March 18, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Meeting was held via Zoom with some in BRPC Office.

1. Roll Call

Committee chair, René Wood, did a roll call at 6:05 p.m.

René Wood, Sheffield, Chair
Sara Hudson, Tyringham @ BRPC Office
Buck Donovan, Lee
Kyle Hanlon, North Adams, Ex-Official

Staff:

Tom Matuszko, Executive Director
Marianne Sniezek, Office Manager
Kate Hill Tapia, Office Administrator @ BRPC Office

2. Approval of Minutes from May 4, 2020

Sarah Hudson moved to accept the minutes from the May 16, 2020; seconded by Buck Donovan. Approved with a roll call vote. Approved by:

Rene Wood
Kyle Hanlon
Buck Donovan
Sarah Hudson

3. Nominating Committee

All present agreed to form the Nominating Subcommittee that will meet following this meeting. Members of that subcommittee are Rene Wood, Kyle Hanlon, Buck Donovan and Sarah Hudson.

4. Discussion of Educational Topics

It was agreed that these would not resume any time soon. The Mass Culvert Report could be a topic at a Commission meeting or be presented as a remote event as highway staff from municipalities would be interested. Another topic could be the Community One Stop grant funds.

5th Thursdays in FY22:

July 29; September 30; December 30; March 31; June 30

5. Discussion about Annual Meeting

Agreed to move forward with plans for September in person event assuming we could cancel reservations without a financial loss. Staff will explore Pittsfield Country Club, Dalton Stationery, and Wahconah Country Club.

Theme Ideas (to help identify a speaker):

- Housing in Berkshire County - Secretary Mike Kennealy, Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development; he spoke at the last annual meeting
- Public health structure going forward
- What have towns learned through pandemic?
- How do we move forward from COVID?
- Prejudice & the problems related to it

6. Next Meeting – May 20, 2021 6:15 p.m., after the Nominating Subcommittee @ 6:00 and before the full Commission meeting @ 7.

7. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Kyle Hanlon and seconded by Buck Donovan. Roll call vote of all four present members approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.