

9/30/2020

Housatonic Improvement Committee

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM
- II. Members present – Angela Lomanto, Eric Gabriel, Dan Bailey, Beverly Norse, Patrick Barrett and Jane Wright (Chris Tucci resigned due to schedule restraints.)

- III. Housatonic School discussion

Angela contacted Kerry Bartini Architect, and member of AIA to schedule a Charette Procedure for the Housatonic School. They agreed to do this “virtually”. Angela obtained a PDF of the school floor plan blueprints and a plot map of the school.

Dan contacted Mark Pruhenski, Town Manager, requesting a tour of the school by the HIC.

Patrick reached out to Kerry Bartini to introduce himself and Eric made a motion to formally extend the invitation for the Charette Procedure for the Housatonic School. This procedure will aid in the assessment of cost and possibilities for the renovation and use of the Housatonic School.

Angela suggested posting details of the Charette on the Housatonic Facebook page, in The Berkshire Edge, The Berkshire Record and on the Great Barrington Town Website. She also suggested organizing a “Special Zoom Meeting” to take comments on the Housatonic School from the community at large.

The HIC will post information on their page on the Great Barrington Town Website.

- IV. Information Gathering Committee Updates Discussion

Eric suggested a “meet and greet” among the HIC members as some of the members have never met each other in person.

Dan will contact the Great Barrington Historical Commission to request a tour of Housatonic Village for the HIC Members.

V. The necessary infrastructure to support any new development in Housatonic was discussed. Water and natural gas were two of the items mentioned as being imperative for any development in the Housatonic School corridor.

VI. The next HIC meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13 at 630 PM.

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.