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Berkshire Regional Planning Commission

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MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
of the
BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Thursday, April 4, 2024 at **4:00 p.m.**

This will be a virtual meeting as allowed by Ch. 2 of the Acts of 2023 extending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec.20 until March 31, 2025.

To participate virtually join the Zoom meeting at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3926128831?omn=85431200863>

Meeting id: 392 612 8831, Phone: 646.558.8656, 646 931 3860, 312.626.6799, 301 715 8592

Meeting materials are on BRPC's website: www.berkshireplanning.org. Click the calendar of events, then the meeting name, and follow the link to materials.

AGENDA (Revised 4/2/24) (all times approximate)

- I. Call to Order & Open Meeting Law Statement (4:00)
- II. Roll Call of Executive Committee Members Attending the Meeting
- III. Vote to Approve Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of March 7, 2024* (4:05)
- IV. Financial Reports (4:10)
 - A. Vote to Approve the March 1 2024 to March 28, 2024, Expenditures Report*
 - B. Report on the Accounts Receivable/ Assessments – February 2024
 - C. Report on the Line of Credit
- V. Suggestions from Berkshire Regional Planning Commission Delegates and Alternates about Items or Topics for Future Meetings (4:15)
- VI. Items Requiring Action* (4:20)
 - A. Vote to Submit Comments and Recommended Amendments on HB 3551, An Act facilitating site plan review***
 - B. Vote to Approve the Salary Merit Increase Range and Personnel Pay Plan for FY 25*
 - C. Vote to Approve the Submission of a Grant Application to MassCEC's EMPOWER Innovation and Capacity Building Program*
 - D. Vote to Approve the Submission of a Grant Application to MassCEC's EMPOWER Implementation Grant Program*
- VII. Committee Reports and Discussion (4:35)
 - A. Berkshire Brownfields Committee
 - B. Commission Development Committee
 - C. Transportation Advisory Committee
 - D. Municipal Planning Organization (MPO)

City and Town Clerks: Please post this notice pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, MGL c. 30A, §§ 18-25.

Please Note:

For information regarding postponements or cancellations on the day of a scheduled meeting, please call Berkshire Regional Planning Commission at (413) 442-1521, x5

- VIII. Executive Director's Report (4:40)
- A. Report on New Contracts / Agreements
 - B. Berkshires Tomorrow Inc. (BTI) Update
 - C. Staff Updates
 - D. Rural Policy Advisory Commission (RPAC) Update
 - E. Passenger Rail
 - F. MassDOT Transportation Innovation Conference 2024
 - G. MMA Western and Rural Mass Conference
 - H. 5th Thursday Dinner
 - I. Consent to Reduce the 120-day Notification Requirement for Two APR Applications
 - J. **Commission on Energy Infrastructure Siting and Permitting Recommendations**
 - K. **Beyond Mobility Report**
- IX. Old Business (4:45)
- A. No Old Business
- X. New Business (4:45)
- A. Discussion About a More Focused Approach Related to Proposed Legislation
 - B. May Commission Meeting
- XI. Adjournment (5:00)
- Attachments:
- Unapproved Minutes of the March 7, 2024, BRPC Executive Committee Meeting
 - March 1, 2024 to March 28, 2024 Expenditures Report
 - Accounts Receivable Report – March 2024
 - Line of Credit Report
 - Executive Director's Memorandum
 - Proposed FY 25 Personnel Pay Plan
 - Unapproved Minutes of the March 14, 2024 Commission Development Committee Meeting
 - Unapproved Minutes of the March 19, 2024 Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting
 - Unapproved Minutes of the March 26, 2024 Metropolitan Planning Organization Meeting
 - Resume – Liana Rice
 - Resume – Sophie Carnes Jannen
 - Proposed APR maps - Sheffield
- * Items Requiring Action