

MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

of the

BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION Thursday, February 1, 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/84716166729

Meeting id: 847 1616 6729, Phone: 646.558.8656, 646 931 3860, 312.626.6799, 301 715 8592

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

		<u>AGENDA</u>	(all times approximate)		
I.	Call to Order & Open Meeting Law S	Statement		(4:00)	
II.	Roll Call of Executive Committee Members Attending the Meeting				
III.	Vote to Approve Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of January 4, 2024*		(4.05)		
IV.	Financial Reports			(4:10)	
	A. Vote to Approve the December	to Approve the December 28, 2023, to January 23*, 2024, Expenditures Report*			
	B. Report on the Accounts Receivable/ Assessments – January 2024				
	C. Report on the Line of Credit				
V.	Comments from Berkshire Regiona Alternate Delegates	l Planning Commission Deleg	gates and	(4:15)	
VI.	Items Requiring Action*			(4:20)	
	A. Vote to authorize (after the fact) the Executive Director to sign any contracts and agreements with Berkshire Community College related to the BERK12 Mohawk Trail Regional School District project*				
	B. Vote to Approve the Submission of a Grant Application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Strategic Prevention Framework- Partnerships for Success (SPF-PFS) Program in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services*				
	C. Vote to Approve Submission of a Grant Application to the US Department of Transportation (DOT) – RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) program *				

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

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	D. Vote to Approve Submission of Comments in Response to the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) Request for Comments on the Sola Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) Review and Stakeholder Question	r	
	E. Vote to Approve Submission of Comments to the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy of the Massachusetts General Cour regarding Several Legislative Bills Related to Solar Development and Regulat		
VII.	Committee Reports and Discussion	(4:40)	
	 A. Commission Development Committee B. Municipal Planning Organization (MPO) C. Berkshire Brownfields Committee D. Berking Language Committee 		
	 D. Regional Issues Committee E. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee 		
VIII.	Executive Director's Report	(4:45)	
	A. Report on New Contracts / AgreementsB. Berkshires Tomorrow Inc. (BTI) UpdateC. Staff Updates		
	D. Rural Policy Advisory Commission (RPAC) Update E. Passenger Rail		
	F. Select Board Handbook		
	G. Municipal Empowerment Act		
	H. Housing Bond Bill I. MMA Western and Rural Mass Conference		
IX.	Old Business	(4:50)	
	A. None		
Х.	New Business	(4:50)	
	A. Discussion about the March Commission Meeting		
XI.	Adjournment	(5:00)	
Atta	chments:		
	Unapproved Minutes of the January 4, 2024, BRPC Executive Committee Meetin December 28, 2023, to January 23, 2024, Expenditures Report Accounts Receivable Report – January 2024 Line of Credit Report	ng	
-	Executive Director's Memorandum	_	
 Unapproved Minutes of the January 4, 2024 Commission Development Commenting 			
-	Unapproved Minutes of the January 9, 2024 Metropolitan Planning Organization Massachusetts Select Board Association's announcement of the Select Board Ha Municipal Empowerment Act Summary		

- Affordable Homes Act Summary
 Affordable Homes Act Testimony
- December 2023 Technical Assistance Memo
- * Items Requiring Action