BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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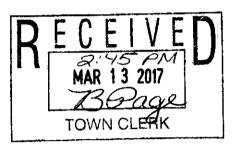
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MEETING NOTICE

A meeting of the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission will be held on:

Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.



<u>Please Note:</u> In the case of inclement weather on the day of the meeting, please call BRPC (413-442-1521, ext 15) to confirm if the meeting will still be held.

<u>Meeting Material</u>: All written materials for the meeting are posted on BRPC's website: <u>www.berkshireplanning.org</u>. Click on the calendar date for the meeting and materials available will be listed.

AGENDA

I. Opening

(7:00-7:05)

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of Minutes of January 19, 2017 Meeting

il. Comments from the Public

(7:05-7:10)

Members of the public may offer comments regarding topics which are on the agenda or other matters which they wish to bring to the Commission's attention. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes and are to be directed to the Commission.

III. Delegates' Issues

(7:10-7:15)

Delegates and Alternates may bring up any issue not on the agenda.

IV. Massachusetts Freight Plan Presentation

(7:15-7:45)

Gabriel Sherman, Freight Plan Coordinator in the MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning, will make a presentation on the State Freight Plan which is under development and answer questions the Commission may have.

V. Last Mile Broadband Status Report

(7:45-8:15)

Bill Ennen, the Executive Office of Housing & Economic Development's Community Liaison for the Last Mile, will make a presentation on the status of the efforts to provide broadband to the unserved towns in western Massachusetts and answer questions the Commission may have.

VI. Consideration of Comments on the FY 2018 State Budget

(8:15-8:30)

The Commission will consider comments on a few key parts of the State Budget in order to inform our legislative delegation regarding items which are very important to the Commission and the work we do.

VII. Approval of Executive Committee Actions between January 19 and March 16, 2017 (8:30-8:35)

VIII. Executive Director's Report

(8:35-8:55)

- A. Promotion of Jennifer Kimball to Senior Planner
- B. District Local Technical Assistance Projects to Receive Assistance in 2017
- C. MassDOT Online Comment Tool for Capital Investment Plan
- D. Citizen Planner Training Collaborative 16th Annual Spring Conference Saturday, March 18th, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester
- E. MassMoves Western Massachusetts Workshop March 28th
- F. 5th Thursday Dinner for Planning & Zoning Boards March 30th, Stormwater Management Best Practices, Country Club of Pittsfield
- G. Federal Budget Potential Issues for BRPC
- H. Succession Planning for the Executive Director
- I. Other

IX. Executive Session – Actual Litigation Regarding Rest of River Clean-up (8:55-9:10)

X. Adjournment

(9:10)

Other interested citizens and officials are invited to attend.

All times listed are estimates of when specific agenda items may be discussed.

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