

Franklin Regional Planning Board Executive Committee Minutes

December 4, 2017 John W. Olver Transit Center, 12 Olive Street 2nd Floor Library, Greenfield

Attendance

FRPB Executive Committee Members

- J. Lund, Chair
- T. Miner, Second Vice Chair
- G. Walker, Clerk
- T. Cady
- J. Basford
- C. Olchowski
- T. Hutcheson

FRCOG Staff

Peggy Sloan, Director of Planning & Development

Actions

J. Lund called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. The FRPB Executive Committee reviewed the minutes for August 7, 2017 and October 2, 2017.

The FRPB Executive Committee discussed possible agenda items for the January 2018 FRPB meeting and requested a presentation on Transportation Planning Projects, the Regional Brownfield Program and updates on the FERC Relicensing of the Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Facility and Recreational Marijuana legislation. The FRPB meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn since the FRCOG Council meeting is also held that same night and is using the conference room at the transit center.

- P. Sloan gave an update on zoning bylaw work underway for Recreational Marijuana and Large Scale Industrial and Commercial Facilities.
- T. Miner reported that stakeholders met on November 30th to discuss recreational facilities related to the FERC relicensing process that are important to tourism and natural resource based economic development in the region. The meeting was organized by the Connecticut River Conservancy. In addition, FRCOG staff will be working to prepare a Draft template for Franklin County towns that may want to request Intervenor status in the FERC process which will be sent out to town administrators.

The FRPB Executive Committee discussed nominating a new FRPB Executive Committee member in light of the recent resignation of J. Rockwell.

Votes

The minutes of August 7, 2017 were moved by G. Walker. T. Cady seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

The minutes of October 2, 2017 were moved by T. Cady. G. Walker seconded the motion. Approved with one abstention by C. Olchowski.

- T. Cady moved to nominate J. Blyth from Northfield to become a member of the FRPB Executive Committee to be voted on by the Franklin Regional Planning Board at their January 25, 2018 meeting. G. Walker seconded the motion. The nomination was unanimously approved.
- T. Hutcheson moved to adjourn. C. Olchowski seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.