

Franklin Regional Planning Board Executive Committee Minutes

May 7, 2018 John W. Olver Transit Center, 12 Olive Street 2nd Floor Library, Greenfield

Attendance

FRPB Executive Committee Members

- J. Lund, Chair
- T. Miner, 2nd Vice Chair
- T. Hutcheson
- J. Blyth
- J. Basford
- C. Olchowski
- T. Cady
- G. Walker, Clerk

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 December 4, 2017 and March 5, 2018.

The FRPB Executive Committee discussed possible agenda items for the May 2018 FRPB meeting and requested presentations on the Vacant & Abandoned Building Toolkit and the CEDS Annual Report. Also requested were updates on the FERC Relicensing of the Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Facility and Recreational Marijuana.

P. Sloan provided updates/information on: zoning bylaw work underway for Recreational Marijuana and Large Scale Industrial and Commercial Facilities; FERC relicensing related to the Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Facility; and a recent request by FERC for public comment on improving their process for permitting gas pipelines. Staff will prepare a Draft letter with recommendations to improve the FERC process.

The FRPB Executive Committee members discussed upcoming FRPB annual elections and appointed a Nominating Committee.

P. Sloan provided a summary of a potential grant opportunity for developing a Sustainable Stormwater Management Plan for Franklin County through EOEEA and requested FRPB Executive Committee

members to consider supporting the application. K. MacPhee will send a Draft grant application to FRPB Executive Committee members for their review.

Votes

- T. Cady moved to accept the FRPB Executive Committee minutes for December 4, 2017 and March 5, 2018. G. Walker seconded the motion. Minutes approved with T. Miner abstaining.
- T. Hutcheson made a motion to support a FRCOG grant application to EOEEA for Sustainable Stormwater Management Planning in Franklin County. G. Walker seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.
- T. Cady moved to appoint the following FRPB members to the Nominating Committee for the 2018-19 FRPB Annual Elections: C. Olchowski; J. Basford; and G. Walker. G. Walker seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.
- T. Miner moved to adjourn. T. Hutcheson seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.