



Franklin Regional Council of Governments

Executive Committee — *MINUTES*

Date & Time:	Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.
Location:	FRCOG, 12 Olive Street, Greenfield MA , Second Floor Library
Facilitator:	Jay DiPucchio, Chair

Representatives Present:

- Jay DiPucchio, Regionally Elected
- Jim Basford, FRPB Appointee
- Kevin Fox, Council Appointee
- Bill Perlman, Regionally Elected
- Bill Martin, Council Appointee

Staff Members Present:

- Bob Dean, Director of Regional Services
- Rebekah Boyd, Admin Services Coordinator

Guests Present:

- Marlo Warner, City of Greenfield

1. Review and adopt the 9.12.19 Executive Committee Minutes

Jay D. convened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Bill P. made a motion to adopt the minutes of 9.12.19. Bill M. seconded the motion, which passed 4 - 0 with one abstention.

2. Road Actions

Receive petition for discontinuance of Court Square, Greenfield, MA and transfer to Greenfield, if accepted by the city. Vote to set a date, time, and place for a view and/or a public hearing to consider the discontinuance and transfer of Court Square, in Greenfield, MA.

Bob explained that Greenfield is petitioning the committee to discontinue Court Square, between Main Street and Clay Hill (now known as Bank Row) and to transfer the road to Greenfield, where, if accepted, it will become a city roadway.

The committee discussed whether they needed to hold a meeting to view the road, but decided, with all being quite familiar with the road, to waive it. They agreed to hold the public hearing at the time of their next regularly scheduled meeting — Thursday, November 14 — at 5 p.m., with the meeting to follow.

Bill P. moved to accept the petition and move ahead with scheduling a public hearing at 5pm on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at the John W. Olver Regional Transit Center in Greenfield.

Mayor Martin relayed that the subcommittee of the Greenfield City Council has sent a positive recommendation to the full council to accept the road transfer.

Jim seconded the motion, which passed with 4-0 in favor and Mayor Martin abstaining.

Consider signing the Order of Discontinuance and Transfer of Woodard Road, Greenfield.

Mayor Martin allowed that the Greenfield City Council had not yet voted to accept the transfer of Woodard road.

Bill P. moved to table the signing of the Order of Discontinuance and Transfer of Woodard Road, Greenfield. Jim seconded the motion, which passed with 4-0 in favor and Mayor Martin abstaining.

Bill M. asked about seeking out legislation to turn all county roads over to cities and towns in which they lie, saying Berkshire County did it in 1996. Members offered differing opinions about the outcome of that change in county policy.

Consider request to amend the easements for a sewer lift-station at 226 East River Street, Orange Ma

Bob Dean relayed that he recently received an email saying that the folks from King Pine RHF Housing, LLC., who previously presented a sewer lift-station easement plan approved by the Executive Committee, have come back with an easement amendment plan because they ran into an underground issue in the original location. The developers are now asking the committee to sign off on the location shift. FRCOG Attorney Donna McNichol approves of the committee doing so, Bob reported.

Bill P. moved to accept the amendment contingent on agreement of the Town of Orange. Bill M. seconded the motion.

Committee members examined the map.

The motion to accept the easements amendment passed with all in favor.

Secretary Kevin Fox signed the easement amendment with staff member Linda Gross notarizing.

3. Business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance

Members and staff presented no new business.

Bill P. moved to adjourn. Kevin F. seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Documents Distributed:

- Agenda
- 9.12.19 Draft Executive Committee Minutes
- Petition/Plan from the City of Greenfield for the discontinuance of Court Square
- Request/Plan for Amendment of Lift Station Easement Agreement for 226 East River Street, Orange, MA