

Envisioning Future Holliston

Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, April 11, 2023

12:00p

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:02p and read the following statement into the record.

“Pursuant to the Governor’s July 16, 2022 Act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c 30A paragraph 20, this meeting will be conducted via remote means. The audio of this meeting is being recorded and will be posted to the Town’s webpage within 24 hours in accordance with keeping the public informed of actions during this meeting. I would ask that all participants attending this meeting please state your name and address for identification purposes each time you speak throughout the meeting.

At this time, a roll call attendance will be taken.”

Peter Egan - here

Jack LeWinter- here

Deola Phair- here

Ben Sparrell- here

Stacey Raffi- here

Rich Rosenberry- here

Glenn Brown-

Annie Singh-

Marlene Fine (alternate for Annie Singh)- here

Also present:

Alternate- Pat Boyd

Town Administrator- Travis Ahern

Assistant Town Administrator- Kathleen Buckley

Glenn Brown joined at 12:04p

Viktoria Sadlovska Anshu(Alternate) joined at 12:04p

Review and approve meeting minutes April 5, 2023

Chair Peatie advised that they have not yet been completed. We will review and approve at a later date.

Schedule “Meeting In a Box” Meetings

Town Administrator Ahern gave a brief overview of the “Meeting In A Box” tool provided to EFH by BerryDunn. This is a tool that allows people to self-facilitate discussion and conversation. Information from these discussions and conversations are recorded and provided to BerryDunn to analyze.

BerryDunn will be able to provide an Environmental Scan, a recommendation of next steps based on a review of all of the data (surveys, analysis, department strategic plans etc) and any other information that has been shared with BerryDunn.

Ms. Peatie began the conversation with some logistics questions for Mr. Ahern. She and Ms. Raffi are looking to host a Meeting In a Box with high school students. Mr. Egan shared his list of groups who could also participate using this tool.

Mr. Ahern shared a list of potential group and organizations that were put together by Diverse Holliston. The committee added their suggestions to the list and discussion followed.

Assistant Town Administrator Buckley shared the following information

Upcoming Community Forums with Berry Dunn:

- Tuesday evening, May 2nd 6:30-8pm at the Holliston High School Library
- Wednesday afternoon, May 3rd 3:00-4:30pm at Town Hall
- Thursday morning, May 4th 9:30-11 at the Senior Center

Upcoming Event (Berry Dunn attending):

Saturday morning, May 6th 9am- 1pm, Public Safety/Touch-a-Truck Day at Holliston High School Parking Lot.

Promotion plan (so far):

- town website [here](#) (homepage) and in the news section
- town Facebook page - please *repost!*
- send to the Town's newsletter subscriber list for news
- announce in the Superintendent newsletter
- announce in the Senior Center newsletter
- All events and future group forums will be posted to the Social Pinpoint site
- All events will be promoted on Facebook for sharing/reposting
- Press release will go out to HCAT and Holliston Reporter and Metrowest News

The next meeting is April 26, 2023 at noon where Charline Kirongozi of BerryDunn will present the Environmental Scale prior to the open forums.

Ms. Raffi left the meeting at 1:00p.

On a motion by Peter Eagan, seconded by Rich Rosenbery with all in favor on a roll call vote, the public meeting was adjourned at 1:10.