CMRPC Legislative Affairs Committee Minutes

December 10, 2019 – 9:00am
Shrewsbury Town Office
100 Maple Ave, Shrewsbury MA 01545

Attending: Doug Martin, Tom Gregory, Timothy McInerney, James Bates, and Kevin Mizikar
Absent: Jen Callahan
Staff: Connor Robichaud
Guests: None
Quorum: Yes

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting began at 9:00am.

2. **Consider approving the minutes of May Meeting:** Tim McInerney made a motion to approve minutes from the August meeting and Kevin Mizikar seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

3. **Discussion of possible action relative to Bills before the MA legislature:** The group discussed the presentation from Brittney Franklin at MMA, specifically, the change to school funding.

4. **Discussion of Fall Legislative Affairs Breakfast:** The committee enjoyed the legislative update from MMA and agreed that they should be included in future Legislative Affairs Breakfasts. The group also appreciated the presentation from Paul Matthews at the Worcester Regional Research Bureau. Peter Krawczyk from Warren attended the breakfast and raised a question about electronic voting to boost engagement at town meetings. The committee discussed electronic voting. CMRPC plans to explore the pros and cons and report back with case studies as part of a District Local Technical Assistance project.

5. **Other Unanticipated Business:** The next meeting will be held February 4, 2020 at 9am at the Shrewsbury Town Hall.

6. **Adjourn** The meeting ended at 9:45am.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Connor Robichaud
Regional Projects Coordinator