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CMRPC Legislative Affairs Committee Minutes

September 9, 2025 – 9:00 am
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Andrew Goals (Chair) – Charlton, William Trifone – Dudley, Jared Grigg – Spencer

Absent: Mary Bulso – Blackstone, David Quiroa – Worcester, Jen Callahan – Oxford

CMRPC Staff: Ethan Melad, Connor Robichaud, Anthony Senesi

Meeting opened at 9:01

Legislative updates

- Mr. Melad mentioned a few recent and upcoming legislative activities
 - MMA legislative breakfast is upcoming on October 3 in Athol
 - The Energy Siting Board has a public meeting on September to discuss draft regulations
 - A commission on PILOT reform has been created
 - The supplemental budget of \$2.45B was passed on August 14
- Mr. Golas noted he will be a representative on a state panel looking at policy around crumbling foundations. There has been some legislative progress, group will kickoff on September 20. He also mentioned that there has been discussion of the Cannabis Control Commission and possible overreach regarding equity issues, as well as how fines and local bylaws are handled by the state. Mr. Grigg said that there will be a ballot petition to repeal legal marijuana.

LAC forum:

- New topics proposed are sewer & water infrastructure; crumbling foundations. Andrew will report back after the first meeting to see if this topic warrants a forum at this time.

Next meeting date:

- 9/30/2025, to finalize forum topic

Motino to adjourn made by Jared, seconded by Bill. Adjourned at 9:16am

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Ethan Melad, CMRPC