

**BERKSHIRE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
MEETING OF THE ADVISORY BOARD**

September 9, 2025

4:00 PM

BRTA Intermodal Transportation Center, Second Floor Board Room, 1 Columbus Avenue, Pittsfield, MA 01201

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Berkshire Regional Transit Authority Advisory Board Members Present:

William Elovirta, Becket; Ray Killeen, Cheshire; Phillip Orenstein, Great Barrington; Mindi Morin, Lenox; Mayor Peter Marchetti, Pittsfield; Alan Hanson, Richmond; Rene Wood, Sheffield; Jamie Minacci, Stockbridge; Brian O'Grady, Williamstown; and Douglas McNally, Windsor. Sarah Fontaine, Adams arrived during the interview.

Berkshire Regional Transit Authority Advisory Board Members Absent:

Charles Ketchen, Alford; Ron Boucher, Clarksburg; John Boyle, Dalton; Melanie Vicneire, Egremont; Joan Lewis, Florida; James Rodda, Hancock; Margaret Gregory, Hinsdale; Mary Reilly, Lanesborough; Andrea Wadsworth, Lee; Frank Abbott, Monterey; Keith Torrico, Mt. Washington; Sherry Youngkin, New Ashford; Stuart Lawrence, New Marlboro; Sandra Lamb, North Adams; Brandi Page, Otis; Verne Leach, Peru; Justin Kaczowski, Savoy; Stephen Deloye, Washington; Andrew Potter, West Stockbridge; and Brian Morrison, Rider Representative.

Also, present: Robert Malnati and Sarah Vallieres, BRTA; Anuja Koirola, BRPC; and Breanna Steele; iBerkshires.

	Voting Shares	Present	
Adams	2.76	2.76	
Alford	1.00	0.00	
Becket	1.08	1.08	
Cheshire	3.66	3.66	
Clarksburg	1.00	0.00	38.50 needed for quorum.
Dalton	2.47	0.00	45.10 when called to order
Egremont	1.02	0.00	
Florida	1.00	0.00	
Great Barrington	3.69	3.69	
Hancock	1.00	0.00	
Hinsdale	1.29	0.00	
Lanesborough	2.29	0.00	
Lee	3.55	0.00	
Lenox	4.42	4.42	
Monterey	1.02	0.00	
Mt. Washington	1.00	0.00	
New Ashford	1.07	0.00	
New Marlborough	1.00	0.00	
North Adams	6.15	0.00	
Otis	1.00	0.00	
Peru	1.04	0.00	
Pittsfield	20.93	20.93	
Richmond	1.00	1.00	
Savoy	1.00	0.00	
Sheffield	1.05	1.05	
Stockbridge	2.95	2.95	
Washington	1.00	0.00	
West Stockbridge	1.00	0.00	
Williamstown	2.52	2.52	
Windsor	1.04	1.04	
Rider Representative	1.00	0.00	
Disability Community	1.00	0.00	

1) ROLL CALL

D. McNally called the Advisory Board Meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

2) INTERVIEW ADMINISTRATOR CANDIDATE LAMBERT

D. McNally welcomed Candidate Lambert and allowed for an opening statement.

R. Malnati asked the questions that were developed by the Advisory Board to Candidate Lambert.

D. McNally asked the Advisory Board if there were any follow up questions for Candidate Lambert.

When R. Malnati was escorting Candidate Lambert out of the Boardroom, R. Wood asked D. McNally to have the Advisory Board vote to recommend that R. Malnati write a letter in support of Rep. Leigh Davis' micro-transit bill and new funding stream. She stated that she is bringing up this new topic, as she found out about it today and it will be filed soon. D. McNally said that this was up to the Administrator. P. Marchetti stated that this topic was not on the agenda and not presented 48 hours prior to the meeting. This discussion would be a violation of Open Meeting Law.

3) DISCUSSION OF CANDIDATES QUALIFICATIONS

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4) RECOMMEND CANDIDATE FOR ADMINISTRATOR-VOTE -Tabled

D. McNally shared Candidate Winger was sick and the need to reschedule the interview for the following week. He contacted her to see if Monday 9/15/25 or Thursday 9/18/25 would work for her. She would let him know soon. S. Fontaine made a motion to table both the discussion and recommendation for the Administrator until all candidates have been interviewed. B. O'Grady seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

5) NEXT MEETING DATE

September 15, 2025 at 3 PM or September 18, 2025 at 4 PM.

6) ADJOURNMENT

R. Wood made a motion to adjourn. J. Minacci seconded the motion and was unanimous. The BRTA Advisory Board Meeting ended at 4:53 PM.

MEETING MATERIAL

BRTA Advisory Board Agenda 9/9/25

Interview Questions Developed by the Board

Town	4) Recommend Candidate for Administrator--Tabled	6) Adjournment
Adams	Yes	Yes
Becket	Yes	Yes
Cheshire	Yes	Yes
Great Barrington	Yes	Yes
Lenox	Yes	Yes
Pittsfield	Yes	Yes
Richmond	Yes	Yes
Sheffield	Yes	Yes
Stockbridge	Yes	Yes
Williamstown	Yes	Yes
Windsor	Yes	Yes