

BAKER HILL ROAD DISTRICT
PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE
WILLIAM PRENDERGAST, CHAIR

20 Bridge Street, Lanesborough, MA
July 20, 2026

Attendees: William Prendergast, Hank Sayers, Lyndon Moors, Linda Pruyne (Treasurer), Mark Siegars (Attorney) and Lorna Gayle (Secretary)

Also Attending:

Julie Baker, Lanesborough Select Board, Jane Kaufman, Berkshire Eagle

Meeting called to order: 12:02 PM

Public Comment

Chairman Prendergast welcomed newly appointed Prudential Committee member Lyndon Moors to his first meeting of the Baker Hill Road District Prudential Committee.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the June 30, 2026 meeting. Mr. Sayers moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Prendergast seconded. Motion carried.

Lyndon Moors abstained, having not been a member of the Committee at the time of that meeting.

Road Maintenance

No formal road maintenance report was available.

The Committee discussed several maintenance items requiring follow-up, including replacement of damaged guardrail sections, hazardous trees leaning into the roadway and utility lines, the condition of the bridge deck surface, and completion of seasonal guardrail trimming. Mark Siegars agreed to contact DPW Director, Nate Fenwick, regarding the status of these items and to encourage his attendance at future Prudential Committee meetings. The Committee also briefly reviewed the District's roadway easements and maintenance responsibilities.

Legal Issues

District Counsel Mark Siegars reported that there were no legal matters requiring discussion in open session.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Linda Pruyne reported that no formal Treasurer's Report was presented at this time. Tax bills have been issued.

Audit Discussion

The Committee discussed the status of the District's upcoming audit. Questions previously raised by the Department of Revenue regarding Target tax abatement payments have been addressed through additional information submitted by the District. Attorney Mark Siegars stated that he would contact the District's auditor, Tom Scanlon, to determine whether the audit remains necessary and, if so, to confirm the anticipated schedule. The Committee also discussed returning to a three-year audit cycle following completion of the current audit.

Motion to Enter Executive Session

Chairman Bill Prendergast read the motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) and (6), to discuss matters relating to litigation and real estate negotiations, and declared that discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect upon the District's position.

Roll Call Vote

- Lyndon Moors: Aye
- Hank Sayers: Aye
- Bill Prendergast: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee entered Executive Session and did not reconvene in open session.