

APPROVED 6/25/2015 MINUTES

HOUSATONIC VALLEY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

MEETING BY TELEPHONIC PARTICIPATION

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

- Bethel..... First Selectman Matthew Knickerbocker
- Bridgewater.... Absent
- Brookfield..... First Selectman William Tinsley
- Danbury..... Chief of Staff Wayne Shepperd

- New Fairfield.. First Selectman Susan Chapman
- New Milford.... Mayor Patricia Murphy
- Newtown.....First Selectman Patricia Llodra

- Redding..... First Selectman Julia Pemberton
- Ridgefield..... First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Chairman
- Sherman.....Absent

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

From CT DOT Roxane Fromson and Jon Korte, Richard Schreiner of HARTransit, Tracy Alston of Eversource, and WestCOG staff.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:55 AM by Chairman Rudy Marconi. A quorum was determined to be present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MINUTES FROM 5/21/2015

After review and on a motion made by Pat Llodra and seconded by Pat Murphy, the minutes of the HVMPO meeting of 5/21/2015 were unanimously approved.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

A TIP amendment received from CT DOT was reviewed and summarized by staff as follows:

- **CT DOT Project #0170-3346 to “Install Road Weather Information Stations Statewide,”** design and construction funds through the FHWA’s National Highway

Performance Program at \$4,000,000 federal and \$1,000,000 state for a total of \$5,000,000.

Attached informational materials were then reviewed, in which it was noted that expanding the current system will provide greater accuracy of real time road condition data to relevant agencies to improve safety.

The types of data to be made available are pavement conditions of dry, wet, freezing, salt concentration, road freezing temperature, atmospheric conditions, etc., to go to the CT DOT Operations Center, municipal public works departments, and state maintenance staff.

The documentation stated that current gaps in coverage as to road conditions raise the risk of delaying weather related response. The supporting maps indicated that at present there is one station in Danbury, with additional sites to be added in and near our area in New Milford, Greenwich, Middlebury and Trumbull.

There was discussion of the proposed TIP amendment, including questions posed to Jon Korte.

After further review and on a motion made by Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Julia Pemberton, the Roadway Weather Information System TIP amendment was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion made by Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Julia Pemberton, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM.