

APPROVED Council Minutes

for the 6/15/2017 Meeting

Held at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association
27 Governor Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut 06877

Chairman Jayme Stevenson - Vice Chairman Susan Chapman
Secretary David Gronbach - Treasurer Patricia Llodra

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Bethel..... First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater..... First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield..... First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury Mayor Mark Boughton
Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson
Greenwich..... First Selectman Peter Tesei

New Canaan..... First Selectman Robert Mallozzi
New Fairfield Absent
New Milford..... Mayor David Gronbach
Newtown..... First Selectman Patricia Llodra
Norwalk..... Chief of Staff Laoise King
Redding..... Absent

Ridgefield..... First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Sherman..... First Selectman Clay Cope
Stamford Chief of Staff Michael Pollard
Weston..... First Selectman Nina Daniel
Westport..... First Selectman James Marpe
Wilton..... First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice

OTHERS ATTENDING

John Suggs of Westport RTM and Martin Fox of the Westport Transit District, Harrison Wenchell and Richard Schreiner of HARTransit, and WestCOG staff members Francis Pickering, Patricia Payne, Robert Sachnin, Carl Zimmerman, Christian Schmidt, and Nicole Sullivan. Ken Shooshan-Stoller and Michelle Hilary from FHWA, Carolann Belforti, Roxane Fromson, and Sharon Okoy'e from CTDOT, Jonathan Steinberg from the Connecticut General Assembly, Mark Massaro, Tracy Alston, Garrett Sheehan, Lisette Andino and Jim Hunt from Eversource- as well as Dan Lingus.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:39 pm by Chairman Jayme Stevenson, she welcomed Senior Vice President James W. Hunt III, Regulatory Affairs & Chief Communications Officer of Eversource.

FEATURED GUEST: Senior Vice President James W. Hunt III, Regulatory Affairs & Chief Communications Officer of Eversource presented information on the largest energy delivery company in New England. Eversource's commitment to the environment and efficient energy was noted. Wind power, hydroelectric plants, and other forms of clean energy was discussed. The Senior Vice President spoke of the notable emergency response system and community outreach that Eversource provides. There were questions and comments. He was thanked unanimously for his time.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of 5/18/2017 Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Rudy Marconi and seconded by Lynne Vanderslice, the minutes of the meeting of 5/18/2017 were unanimously approved, with abstentions made by Clay Cope, Nina Daniel, and Matt Knickerbocker.

Fiscal Year 2018 WestCOG Budget Approval: Patricia Llodra presented the upcoming fiscal year budget for WestCOG with the inclusion of a revenue source and expenditure summary attached. After further review, and on a motion made by Rudy Marconi and seconded by Matt Knickerbocker, the Fiscal Year 2018 WestCOG Budget was unanimously approved.

2017 Responsible Growth & TOD Grant Resolution: Francis Pickering noted the attached resolution of support for the WestCOG submittal of the Branch Line Regional Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Study grant application to OPM. He briefly described several phases of the proposed feasibility study. There were questions and comments. He also stated that each municipality will receive a letter of support from WestCOG for their own grant application. On a motion made by Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Rudy Marconi, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Document Policy: Francis Pickering noted that a complete document policy will be provided to the COG, potentially at the August meeting- or at another meeting to follow. It was decided that no vote would be taken until the official document policy was presented to the COG.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Legislative Update: Francis Pickering noted that the session has closed and that there was nothing new to report.

State Budget Update: Francis Pickering noted that there was nothing new to report.

LOTICIP Update: Robert Sachnin described the program for State Fiscal Years 18 and 19, adding that details were contingent on the state budget.

OTHER BUSINESS / ADJOURNMENT

There was no other business stated.

Chairman Stevenson then stated that the July WestCOG meeting will be canceled. The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 1:33 pm.