

## APPROVED Council Minutes

### for the 10/05/2017 Regular 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 ..... Absent  
Darien ..... First Selectman Jayme Stevenson  
Greenwich..... First Selectman Peter Tesei

New Canaan..... First Selectman Robert Mallozzi  
New Fairfield ..... First Selectman Susan Chapman  
New Milford..... Mayor David Gronbach  
Newtown..... First Selectman Patricia Llodra  
Norwalk..... Mayor Harry Rilling  
Redding..... First Selectman Julia Pemberton

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

#### OTHERS ATTENDING

WestCOG staff members Francis Pickering, Robert Sachnin, Nicole Sullivan, and William Kenny. Sara Harris, Harrison Wenchell, Richard Schreiner, Andrea Rynn, Ali Mohseni, Claire Matzke, James Root, Felicia Jones, Diane Lauricella, Jo-ann Brooks, and John Hayes were also in attendance.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:30pm by Chairman Jayme Stevenson.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

Chairman Stevenson welcomed Public Health Section Chief Lori Mathieu of the CT Department of Public Health's Drinking Water Section to the meeting. Information was presented regarding the "Final Draft" of the CT State Water Plan. Environmental issues and policies regarding water were discussed. The public comment period for the CT State Water Plan is open until November 20th.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

**Approval of 8/17/2017 Minutes:** After review and on a motion made by Mayor Harry Rilling and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, the minutes of the meeting of 8/17/2017 were unanimously approved.

**FFY 2017 Homeland Security R5EPT MOU:** Director Pickering addressed this topic, explaining that the Memorandum of Understanding is for emergency support in Region 5. A motion to approve the MOU was made by First Selectman Susan Chapman and seconded by First Selectman Clay Cope, the motion was then passed unanimously.

**Concurrence with REDD Designation:** Director Pickering addressed this topic. On a motion made by Mayor David Gronbach and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker concurrence with the State's designation of WestCOG as a Regional Economic Development District was passed unanimously.

**Approval of CEDS:** A motion to approve the CEDS was made by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by First Selectman Clay Cope, followed by unanimous approval.

**LOTICIP Program Adjustments:** Principal Planner Robert Sachnin presented information on the adjustments needed for LOTICIP projects. On a motion made by First Selectman Patricia Llodra and seconded by Mayor Harry Rilling, approval of the proposed adjustments was unanimous.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**Nominating Committee:** Chairman Stevenson addressed the COG. First Selectman Curtis Read, First Selectman Peter Tesej, First Selectman Julia Pemberton, First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, and First Selectman Steve Dunn volunteered to take part in the Nominating Committee.

**Legislative Committee:** Chairman Stevenson addressed the COG. First Selectman Julia Pemberton, First Selectman Rudy Marconi, First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, and First Selectman Susan Chapman volunteered to take part in the Legislative Committee.

**Draft 2018 COG Meetings Schedule:** The draft meeting schedule, as well as the proposed January 18<sup>th</sup> Legislative Breakfast date, was briefly discussed.

**Update on COG Operations:** Director Pickering reviewed this topic. Projects completed and in process by WestCOG staff were provided. Operational structures were discussed.

**Monthly Financial Report-8/31/17:** Treasurer Patricia Llodra updated the COG on the financial report of August 2017.

**Legal action regarding opioids:** Although there was brief discussion, this topic was formally tabled until the next meeting.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** There was no public participation.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** There was no other business.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The next WestCOG meeting will be held on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association. The meeting was then unanimously adjourned at 1:36pm.