

Housatonic Valley
Metropolitan Planning Organization
Approved HVMPO MINUTES
For the 02/15/2018 Meeting
Held at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association
27 Governor Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel	First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater	First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield	First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury	Absent
New Fairfield	First Selectman Pat Del Monaco
New Milford	Absent
Newtown	First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding	First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Sherman	First Selectman Don Lowe
HARtransit	Development Director Rick Schreiner
CTDOT	Transportation Planner Kerry Ross (non-voting)
MPO Staff	Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

WestCOG staff members in attendance were Robert Sachnin, Patricia Payne, William Kenny, Nicole Sullivan, Kristin Floberg, and Bob Brinton. Harrison Wenchell of HARtransit, Dennis O'Connor of Norwalk Transit, Peter Yankowski of the Ridgefield Press, Norwalk resident Jo-Anne Horvath, and Max Friedman of CCM were also in attendance. As were Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Stamford Chief of Staff Michael Pollard, Westport First Selectman James Marpe, Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, and Norwalk Transit Chief Operating Officer Britt Liotta.

CALL TO ORDER

HVMPO Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 11:35am.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FTA 5310 Funding Solicitation: Associate Planner William Kenny addressed the MPO regarding the Section 5310 grant program, which seeks to broaden transportation options for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

Proposed CTDOT Fare Increases and Service Reductions: Principal Planner Robert Sachnin noted the CTDOT proposed public hearings regarding CT Transit bus and Metro North rail services.

Transportation Funding Update: There was brief discussion regarding the special transportation fund.

ACTION ITEMS

HVMPO Approval of 01/18/2018 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by First Selectman Steve Dunn, the minutes of the meeting of 01/18/2018 were unanimously approved.

HVMPO 2018–2021 Transportation Improvement Program: There was no action needed.

FHWA Safety Performance Measures: There was discussion regarding the FHWA Final Rule and the CTDOT Safety Targets. Members discussed support of CTDOT State targets, but noted the goal of having zero fatalities in the region, the support of State targets is to help achieve this goal. On a motion made by First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by First Selectman Pat Del Monaco, the CTDOT Safety Targets were unanimously endorsed.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on March 15th. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:11pm.