Housatonic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

APPROVED HVMPo MINUTES
For the 03/15/2018 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 Absent
New Milford Mayor Pete Bass
Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield Town Engineer Charles Fisher
Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe
HARTTransit 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, Jamie Bastian, Nicole Sullivan, and Kristin Hadjistylianos. Also in attendance were; Harrison Wenchell of HARTTransit, Max Friedman of CCM, Martin Fox of Westport Transit District, Adam Schnell Town of Ridgefield, Sara Harris Town of Westport, Mark Massaro of Eversource, Lissette Andino of Eversource, Samantha Sojka of Eversource, and Tracey Alston of Eversource. As well as James Root and Mose Saccasy. Susan Marks of the Darien Board of Selectman, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Norwalk Mayor Harry Rilling (teleconference), Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers, Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding, Westport First Selectman James Marpe, Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, and Norwalk Transit CEO Kimberlee Morton were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER
HVMPo Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton called the meeting to order at 11:33am.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
There was no public participation.
FEATURED PRESENTATION
Development Director Rick Schreiner and Transportation Planner Harrison Wenchell of HARTtransit presented on the Commuter and Rail Parking Study.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
FTA 5310 Prioritization Schedule: Principal Planner Sachnin described the analysis process and coordination with CTDOT. Endorsement of priorities will begin in April.

State Matching Grant Program/13b-38bb: Principal Planner Sachnin noted the matching program provided by the State of Connecticut for municipalities that provide “dial-a-ride” services. The deadline for submissions to the Region and CTDOT is May 18th, 2018.

USDOT 2018 Quadrennial Certification Review (SWR): Principal Planner Sachnin noted the process for certification, which pertains to the South Western Region MPO only. The review has been scheduled for April 26th.

ACTION ITEMS
HVMPO Approval of 02/15/2018 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, the minutes of the meeting of 02/15/2018 were unanimously approved except with an abstention made by the Town of Ridgefield.

HVMPO 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program: Amendments to project #117-161; Ridgefield-Branchville TOD Bike/Pedestrian Improvements and project #300-XXXX; New Haven Line Bridge Timber Replacement Project were discussed in regards to the Transportation Improvement Program. On a motion made by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by First Selectman Curtis Read, the HVMPO TIP amendments were unanimously endorsed.

OTHER BUSINESS
There was discussion regarding I-95.

ADJOURNMENT
The next MPO meeting will be held on April 19th. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:20pm.