

Approved Council Minutes

for the 03/15/2018 Regular Meeting

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

*Chairman Jayme Stevenson - Vice Chairman Rudolph Marconi
Treasurer Lynne Vanderslice- Secretary Julia Pemberton*

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater..... First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury Absent
Darien..... Susan Marks, Board of Selectman
Greenwich..... First Selectman Peter Tesei (teleconference)

New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan
New Fairfield..... Absent
New Milford..... Mayor Pete Bass
Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Norwalk..... Mayor Harry Rilling (teleconference)
Redding..... First Selectman Julia Pemberton

Ridgefield..... Town Engineer Charles Fisher
Sherman..... First Selectman Don Lowe
Stamford Absent
Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding
Westport..... First Selectman Jim Marpe
Wilton..... First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice

OTHERS ATTENDING

WestCOG staff members in attendance were Robert Sachnin, Patricia Payne, Jamie Bastian, Nicole Sullivan, and Kristin Hadjstylianos. Also in attendance were; Harrison Wenchell of HARTransit, 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.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:44pm by Treasurer Lynne Vanderslice.

*An addition to the agenda was discussed. On a motion made by First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, the inclusion of an additional action item was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was discussion regarding Eversource and the most recent snow storm. Daphne Dixon also spoke regarding LiveGreenCT.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of February 15, 2018 Minutes: After review and on a motion made by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, the minutes of the 02/15/2018 meeting were unanimously approved. However, there were abstentions made by the Town of Greenwich, the Town of New Milford, the Town of Weston, the Town of Ridgefield, and the Town of Darien.

Invitation to participate in an amicus curiae brief re EPA designation of an Eastern Long Island Sound Disposal Site (ELDS): Director Pickering discussed the EPA designation of an Eastern Long Island Sound Disposal Site and noted the potential environmental impacts on coastal communities. On a motion made by First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by First Selectman Jim Marpe, participation in the amicus curiae brief was unanimously approved.

***Addition to the Agenda- Approval of Community Rating System (CRS) Expansion Program & Intern funded through the Nature Conservancy (TNC). \$20,000 award:** Support and expansion of existing CRS efforts through the awarded funding was discussed. On a motion made by Mayor Pete Bass and seconded by First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, the CRS Expansion Program & Intern funded through the TNC- \$20,000 award, was unanimously approved.

FEATURED PRESENTATIONS

Senior GIS Manager Carl Zimmerman presented the *CAMA and GIS Initiatives for Municipalities* to the COG. He updated the COG on the existing Planimetrics and GIS data.

Associate Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos presented the *Long Range Transportation Plan* to the COG. She noted the requirements, data analysis, and public participation involved with the LRTP.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Financial Report: Treasurer Lynne Vanderslice presented the Financial Report to the COG. There was brief discussion.

State Legislation and budget update: Director Pickering addressed this subject. There was brief discussion.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The next COG meeting will be held on April 19th. On a motion made by Mayor Pete Bass and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 1:53pm.