

## Council Minutes

### for the 08/16/2018 Special Meeting

Held at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association & via teleconference  
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..... Absent  
Brookfield ..... First Selectman Steve Dunn  
Danbury ..... Absent  
Darien ..... First Selectman Jayme Stevenson  
Greenwich..... First Selectman Peter Tesei

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

Ridgefield..... First Selectman Rudy Marconi  
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 Patricia Payne, Jamie Bastian, Nicole Sullivan, Kristin Hadjstylianos, William Kenny, Victoria Ricks, Nicholas Trabka, Michael Towle, and Executive Director Francis Pickering. Also in attendance were Chief of Staff Michael Pollard of the City of Stamford, Ridgefield Intern Emma Rosenblatt, Kat Fiedler of Save the Sound, as well as Tracey Alston and Samantha Sojka of Eversource.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:32pm by Vice Chairman Rudy Marconi.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

**Approval of July 19, 2018 Minutes:** After review and on a motion made by First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker the minutes of the 07/19/2018 meeting were unanimously approved. An abstention was made by Mayor Peter Bass.

**Approval of Resolution to Authorize NOGA from OPM for FY18-19:** On a motion made by Mayor Peter Bass and seconded by First Selectman Steve Dunn, the Resolution to Authorize the Notice of Grant Award from the Office of Policy and Management was unanimously approved.

**Army Corps of Engineers' Coastal Storm Risk Management Feasibility Study:** Katherine Fielder, Save the Sound's Peter B. Cooper Legal Fellow, reviewed the alternatives addressed in the study. On a motion made by First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by First Selectman Peter Tesei the COG members unanimously opted to create a letter commenting on the possible impacts of the USACE study.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

**New EPA and NHTSA Fuel Economy Standards for 2021-2026 Vehicles:** Associate Planner Jamie Bastian discussed the proposed rulemaking for the Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient Vehicles Rule for Model Years 2021-2026 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks (SAFE Vehicles Rule) with the COG.

**Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Regions 1 and 5 updates:** Associate Planner William Kenny discussed DEMHS training sessions, REPT meetings, and the REPT Homeland Security Grant.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The next COG meeting will be held on September 27th. On a motion made by Mayor Peter Bass and seconded by First Selectman Steve Dunn the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 1:07pm.