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Housatonic Valley
Metropolitan Planning Organization
INTERIM HVMPO MINUTES
For the 2/28/2019 Meeting
Held at the Capitol Building Room #310
210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut
Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel	First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater	Absent
Brookfield	First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury	Mayor Mark Boughton
New Fairfield	First Selectman Pat Del Monaco
New Milford	Absent
Newtown	First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding	Absent
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Sherman	First Selectman Don Lowe
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CTDOT	Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci (non-voting)
MPO Staff	Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Westport First Selectman James Marpe, Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, and Stamford Chief of Staff Mike Pollard, Kristyn Gorton from CT Rides, and Sam Sojka and Tracy Alston from Eversource were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Kristin Hadjstylianos, Victoria Ricks, Patty Payne, Mike Towle, Kevin Mahoney, Charles Vidich and Jamie Bastian.

CALL TO ORDER

HVMPO Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 1:06pm.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Transportation Alternative Programs: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the status of the Transportation Alternative Programs. WestCOG will be sharing more information about the solicitation as soon as we receive more information from CT DOT.

Section 5310 Grant Programs: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the new application cycle for the 5310 Grant Program. This program is intended to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities. WestCOG staff will provide technical assistance; eligible applicants who would like staff to review their application for completeness must submit their materials to WestCOG by April 5th. Applications are due to CT DOT by April 12th.

Unified Planning Work Program Update: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the outline for Transportation planning for the next 2 years. The draft will be shared with CT DOT on March 11th for review.

MOU for Transportation Planning and Funding: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the Memorandum of Understanding for Transportation and Funding between the South Western Region Valley MPO with the Greater Bridgeport Valley MPO and Central Naugatuck Valley MPO. The WestCOG staff are currently in the process of updating the MOU and will provide a draft at the next MPO meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

HVMPO Approval of 1/17/2019 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, the minutes of the meeting on 1/17/2019 were unanimously approved.

Transportation Improvement Program: After a review by Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos, a motion was made by New Fairfield First Selectman Pat Del Monaco and seconded by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe, the TIP Amendment was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on March 21st, 2019. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1:18pm.