Housatonic Valley
Metropolitan Planning Organization

APPROVED HVMPO MINUTES
For the 4/18/2019 Meeting
Held at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association
27 Governor Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut
Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
Bethel      Selectman Rich Straiton
Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield  First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury     Absent
New Fairfield First Selectman Pat Del Monaco
New Milford  Mayor Pete Bass
Newtown     First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding     First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield  First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Sherman     First Selectman Don Lowe
HARTTransit Development Director Rick Schreiner
CTDOT      Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci
MPO Staff   Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE
Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, Greenwich First Selectman Peter Tesei, Westport Finance Chair Jeff Weiser, New Canaan CFO Sandy Dennies, Westport Operations Director Sara Harris, Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding and Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers, Norwalk Transit District CEO Kimberlee Morton were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Kristin Hadjystylianos, Nicole Sullivan, and Patty Payne. Ali Mohseni of NYMTC-MHSTCC, Ken Shooshan-Stoller of FHWA, James Root of the CT Sierra Club, Alex Dashev of HARTTransit, as well as Sam Sojka and Tracy Alston of Eversource were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER
HVMPO Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 11:38am.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
There was no public participation.

INFORMATION ITEMS
State Matching Grant Program (MGP) for Elderly and Demand Response Transportation: Senior Planner Kristin Hadjystylianos gave an update on the 2020-2022 application process for the MGP, which provides matching funds for transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities to each municipality. Applications are due to WestCOG by May 3rd.

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Draft Unified Planning Work Program Update: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjystylianos gave an update on the draft for Transportation planning which were provided to the municipalities last week for review. The draft has also been sent to CTDOT, FHWA, and FTA for review.

ACTION ITEMS
HVMPO Approval of 3/21/2019 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe, the minutes of the 3/21/2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

HVMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan 2019-2045: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjystylianos reviewed the 4 Resolutions provided and comments received on the plan. On a motion made Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass the 2019-2045 MTP Resolution was unanimously approved contingent on incorporating the modifications discussed regarding the plan. On a motion made by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe and seconded by Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read the PM 2.5 Air Quality Conformity Resolution, The Ozone Air Conformity (Greater Connecticut) Resolution, and The Ozone Air Conformity (NY-NJ-CT) Resolution were unanimously approved.

Transportation Improvement Program: Associate Planner Nicole Sullivan reviewed the amendment to project #0170-3528 Statewide Transportation Demand Management Project for NY-NJ-CT Moderate Portion and project #0170-3529: Statewide Transportation Demand Management Project for Greater CT Portion. On a motion made by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass the TIP Amendments were unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT
The next MPO meeting will be held on May 16th, 2019. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:20pm.