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Housatonic Valley  
Metropolitan Planning Organization  
**INTERIM HVMPO MINUTES**  
For the 5/16/2019 Meeting  
Held via teleconference  
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	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	Absent
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, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding, Westport First Selectman James Marpe, and Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, Norwalk Transit District CEO Kimberlee Morton were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Kristin Hadjstylianos, Victoria Ricks, and Kevin Mahoney. Ken Shooshan-Stoller of FHWA was also in attendance.

#### CALL TO ORDER

HVMPO Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 11:06am.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

**USDOT BUILD Grant Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the USDOT BUILD Grant, which provides funds for investments in surface transportation infrastructure such as roads, bridges, transit, rail, ports and intermodal transportation. Applications must be submitted through the Grants.gov website by July 15<sup>th</sup>.

**National Park Service River, Trail and Conservation Assistance Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the RTCA program, which provides assistance in designing trails and parks, conserving and improving access to rivers and creating recreational opportunities. Applications are due by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## ACTION ITEMS

**HVMPO Approval of 4/18/2019 Meeting Minutes:** After review and on a motion made by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton, the minutes of the 4/18/2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Section 5310 Priorities:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the SWRMPO project priorities for the 5310 Grant funding applications. On a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass, the project priorities for the HVMPO were unanimously approved.

**Transportation Improvement Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the amendment to project #0170-3532: *Highway Sign Inventory*. On a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass the TIP Amendment was unanimously approved.

**Unified Planning Work Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the Resolution #2019-006 *Resolution of Endorsement for the FY20 and FY21 HVMPO Unified Planning Work Program*. On a motion made by Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker the resolution was unanimously approved.

**Transportation Alternative Program Priorities:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed Resolution #2019-007 *Resolution to Endorse the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Project Proposal Rankings* for the HVMPO. On a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn the resolution was unanimously approved.

## OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

## ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:28am.