

# Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



Housatonic Valley  
Metropolitan Planning Organization  
**APPROVED HVMPO MINUTES**

For the 02/17/2022 Meeting  
Held via Zoom Webinar

*Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton*

## MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel	First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater	First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield	First Selectman Tara Carr
Danbury	Mayor Dean Esposito
New Fairfield	First Selectman Pat Del Monaco
New Milford	Absent
Newtown	First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding	First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Sherman	First Selectman Don Lowe
Transit Representative	HARtransit CEO Rick Schreiner
CTDOT	Kathryn Faraci (non-voting)
MPO Staff	Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

## OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Darien First Selectman Monica McNally, Greenwich Selectman Lauren Rabin, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Norwalk Mayor Harry Rilling, Westport First Selectman Jennifer Tooker, Senator Will Haskell, Senator Julie Kushner, Rep. Mitch Bolinsky, Rep. Lucy Dathan, Rep. Anne Hughes, Rep. Jonathan Steinberg, and Rep. Stephanie Thomas. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Todd Fontanella, Kristin Floberg, Charles Vidich, Nicolas Trabka, Nicole Sullivan, Betsy Paynter, Victoria Ricks, and Cricket Carpenter. Also in attendance were Special Assistant to the Mayor and Director of Policy & Legislative Affairs at the City of Stamford Lauren Meyer, Diane Lauricella from Norwalk, Paul Hearn from Baralmar Advisors LLC, April Chaplin from the Kennedy Center, and David Allen

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public identified themselves as present or spoke when invited to do so.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

IIJA Grant Programs: WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview.

## ACTION ITEMS

**HVMPO Approval of the January 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting minutes:** After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**2021-2024 HVMPO Transportation Improvement Program:** Nicole Sullivan provided an overview of Amendments #2022-0217, 0096-0208: Climbing Lane Extension & Exit 9 On-Ramp Reconfiguration. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, the Transportation Improvement Program amendment was unanimously approved.

## OTHER BUSINESS:

No other business was discussed.

## ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting is scheduled for March 17th. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 p.m.