

Capitol Region Council of Governments

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POLICY BOARD REGULAR MEETING CT Center for Advanced Technology February 24, 2010 Noon

Policy Board Attendance

John Adams, Acting Chair
Dick Hines
Joyce Stille
Dick Barlow
Dave Kilbon
Scott Kaupin
Chip Beckett
David Panagore
Eddie Perez
Scott Shanley
Mary Glassman
Lisa Pellegrini
John Pelkey
Steve Werbner
Ron Van Winkle
Jeff Bridges
Peter Souza
Steve Wawruck

Town/Organization

Granby
Avon
Bolton
Canton
East Granby
Enfield
Glastonbury
Hartford
Hartford
Manchester
Simsbury
Somers
South Windsor
Tolland
West Hartford
Wethersfield
Windsor
Windsor Locks

Guests

Tom Philips
Eloise Powell
Ken Shooshan-Stoller
Kathie Lutz

CWP
FHWA
FHWA
Rome, Smith & Lutz

Others Present

Grayson Wright

Conn DOT

Staff

Cheryl Assis
Winsome Barnaby
Jennifer Carrier
Mary Ellen Kowalewski
Debby Rihm
Lyle Wray

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Call to Order

Vice Chairman Adams called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes

Mr. Kilbon made a motion to adopt the minutes from January 27, 2010 meeting. Ms. Still seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Reports

- a. Executive Director/Chairman
Mr. Wray said that he, Steve Cassano, and Dave Kilbon just got back from the NARC conference.
- b. Capital Workforce Partners
Tom Phillips gave the report this month. Mr. Phillips passed out a summary of the summer youth employment program for 2009. Contact Kevin Loveland at DSS for information on a TANF Workshop. Mr. Phillips spoke about a Bill that, if passed, would allow for costs to towns to be covered for re-hired, laid off, mid to lower level workers.
- c. Community Development/Municipal Services/Purchasing Council
There was no report this month.
- d. Public Safety/Homeland Security
The proposed FY 2008 spending plan is meant to sustain, enhance and expand programs from 2004 on. It represents the same plan as last year with new line items for personal protective equipment replacement and equipment for the proposed Police Training Center. Please finalize your MOA in regard to these FY2008 funds. The Manchester Regional EOC dedication was held this month with Mayor Spadaccini as M.C., and Congressman Larson, Commissioner Boyton, and Lyle Wray speaking.
- e. Transportation Committee
Connecticut did not receive any TIGER grant money. The busway project is advancing. The FTA has recommended the New Britain-Hartford Busway for a full funding grant agreement. Construction is scheduled to begin later this year. The State has secured \$40 million for the New Haven-Hartford-Springfield Commuter Line which will allow for the double tracking of approximately ten miles.

MPO Certification Report Findings

Eloise Powell, FHWA, gave the update. The pedestrian/bike and public services were improved over the 2004 findings. The freight planning needs were addressed and technology has increased. The FHWA and FTA did not have any findings this time. The next review will be in February 2014.

Resolution Amending the Contract with World Energy for Reverse Auction Services

Mr. Kilbon made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Stille seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Resolution Concerning the FY 2008 DEMHS Spending Plan

Ms. Stille made a motion to approve the resolution for the FY 2008 DEMHS spending plan. Mr. Kilbon seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Transportation TIP Amendments

Mr. Kilbon made a motion to approve TIP amendments 1, 2a, 2b, and 2c., as planned on the February list. Ms. Stille seconded. The Transportation Committee postponed approving amendment #3 on airport signage until additional information is obtained. All voted in favor of the motion.

State and Federal Legislative Update

Kathie Lutz gave the update. The General Assembly is in short session this year and therefore will go through fewer bills. They are working off of the \$500 million deficit budget. They have begun discussing the trash authority; there will most likely not be any new bonding; and TAR money for only projects that are already in process. It is imperative that members continue one on one dialogues with their representatives and the Governor's office letting them know exactly what your town needs.

Solid Waste Management Update

Mr. Barlow said that he attended a CRRA Executive Meeting and the role of elected officials needs to be improved at CRRA.

Adjournment

Ms. Stille made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Kilbon seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.