1. **Roll Call** – Jon Colman called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

2. **Public Forum** – No one from the public chose to speak.

3. **Adoption of Minutes** – A motion was made by Russ Arnold, seconded by John Pagini, to accept the April 23rd, 2012 meeting minutes. This motion was passed unanimously.

4. **Staff Report**
   - Sustainable Knowledge Corridor Update - Sandy Fry gave a short update on the Sustainable Knowledge Corridor project (funded by a HUD Sustainable Communities
Regional Planning Grant) noting that an update of the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development is underway and that progress is continuing on the consulting projects funded by the grant.

- Green Infrastructure- Mr. Rob Aloise summarized a Special Report of the CRCOG Newsletter focusing on Green Infrastructure. Mr. Aloise explained that the report contained an overview of innovative green transportation infrastructure practices, and that future reports will discuss in more detail specific green infrastructure techniques.

- ConnDOT Update- There was no ConnDOT update presented at this time.

- CT Rides-Quarterly Report-Ms. Jennifer Carrier gave a brief update on CT rides. Questions on the material can be directed to Jim Stutz at ConnDOT (james.stutz@po.state.ct.us or 860 594-2852)

- NHHS Rail Environmental Assessment-Ms. Jennifer Carrier gave an update on the NHHS Rail Environment. Ms. Carrier told the Committee that the Environmental Assessment (EA) is available and public hearings will be held on June 7 in New Britain, June 13 in Enfield and June 14 in North Haven to provide the public with information about the proposed project and a forum for commenting on the project and its impacts. Comments can be submitted to Mark Alexander at ConnDOT.

- Busway Update – Ms. Jennifer Carrier informed the committee that ConnDOT has given the busway the name “CT Fastrak”. She also stated that a CT Fastrak groundbreaking ceremony will be held at the future site of the Parkville Station in Hartford on May 22nd at 2:00.

- TC to act as PB between May 24 and Sept 25, 2012 – Mr. Jon Colman informed the committee that the Policy Board will be voting on a motion to have the Transportation Committee act as the Policy Board between May 24th and September 25th, 2012.

- Transportation Reauthorization - Mr. Lyle Wray gave a brief update on Federal Transportation Bill reauthorization efforts.

5. Funding Request: Route 10/Avon Old Farms Road, Avon- A design and design oversight funding request for this project was the topic of the Cost Review Sub-Committee meeting prior to the Transportation Committee meeting. Ms. Carrier reviewed the memo to the Transportation Subcommittee that was included in the packet. The memo detailed ConnDOT’s request to utilize $875,000 ($700,000 Federal, $175,000 State, $0Local) of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012 STP-Urban funds for in-house ConnDOT staff to complete the design and design oversight of the following projects:

   Sate project No.4-116: Avon, Relocation and Replacement of Bridge No. 04470 and State Project No. 4-118: Avon, Reconstruction Old Farms Road/Waterville Road (Route 10) intersection.

CRCOG staff’s recommendation was to utilize $600,000 ($480,000 Federal, $120,000 State, $0Local) of FFY2012 STP-Urban funds for completion of the design and design oversight. A motion was made by Peter Hughes, seconded by Bob Lacourse to utilize $600,000 ($480,000 Federal, $120,000 State, $0Local) of FFY2012 STP-Urban funds for ConnDOT in-house staff to complete the design and design oversight for the projects. This motion was passed with all in favor expect for a single opposed vote by Mr. Jon Colman. Mr. Colman explained that his opposition was based on the following:
- He felt that the request to utilize the region’s STP-Urban funds was made hastily by ConnDOT with no quid pro quo offered
- He had concerns about initiating a project without going through a process that was fair to all towns
- The timing of the ConnDOT request, given the current constrained fiscal environment, raises suspicions that the request was made in an effort to provide work for and pay for ConnDOT staff.

6. **TIP amendments** - Ms. Jennifer Carrier reviewed the TIP amendments. A motion was made by Mark Carlino, seconded by Richard Sawitzke to accept the following TIP amendments:
   - South Windsor-Avery Street PD funding
   - Vernon South Street PD funding
   - Avon-Old Farms Road/Route 10 PD funding

The motion was passed unanimously.

7. **Unified Planning Work Program** - Ms. Jennifer Carrier gave an update on the Unified Planning Work Program. Ms. Carrier commented that CRCOG would continue to advance planning efforts associated with CT Fastrak as it moves toward into construction, and also the New Haven-Hartford-Springfield Commuter Rail. A motion was made by Michael Turner, seconded by Russ Arnold to adopt the Transportation Planning Program FY 2013 & 2014. This motion was passed unanimously.

8. **Presentation: EDC/Warm Mix Asphalt** - James Mahoney, Executive Director-CT - Transportation Institute and Program Director-CT Advanced Pavement Lab - Mr. Mahoney gave a presentation on the many benefits of Warm Mix Asphalt. Mr. Mahoney stated that he could envision WMA becoming the preferred production method for asphalt pavement mixtures within the next several years. For more information on Warm Mix, visit the National Asphalt Paving Association website at [http://www.warmasphalt.com](http://www.warmasphalt.com).

9. **Staff Presentation:** Route 3 Traffic and Development Study Update - Mr. Rob Aloise gave a presentation on the Route 3 Traffic and Development Study. Additional information can be found on CRCOG’s website [http://www.crcog.org/transportation/current_stud/Route3.html](http://www.crcog.org/transportation/current_stud/Route3.html)

10. **Other Business** - Mr. Terry McCarthy informed the Committee about proposed Connecticut Senate Bill No. 269 that would require Professional Engineers to obtain 15 CEUs/year to maintain a Connecticut license. He said that engineers should speak to their State Legislators regarding any opinions they may have regarding this issue. He voiced his opinion that compliance with the bill could be burdensome for the region’s Town Engineers.

11. **Adjourn** - The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.