

**Route 10 Steering Committee Meeting #12**  
***Simsbury Town Hall, Main Meeting Room***  
**Minutes of July 6, 2011 – 7:00 PM**

<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Company*</u>
	Mary Glassman	First Selectman – Town of Simsbury
	Margery Winters	CC IW – SC
	Emil Dahlquist	Design Review Board – SC
	Rick Wagner	Representing local business in corridor – SC
	Kirsten Griebel	Resident – SC
	Mike Fish	Representing local business in corridor – SC
	Mark Deming	Economic Development Commission – SC
	Emily Moos	CRCOG – PT
	Jennifer Carrier	CRCOG – PT
	Harald Bender	Member of the Public
	Judy Rabinowitz	Member of the Public
	Julie MacKay	Stakeholder, Weatogue
	TJ Donohue	Stakeholder, South Gateway & Town Center

\* SC = Steering Committee  
PT = Project Team

**Welcome and Business**

Mary Glassman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Public Comment**

Judy Rabinowitz stated that she lives in the Talcott Acres Condominium and that she wished to speak about the Southern Gateway Parallel Connection. She stated that because of the modeling results shown at the last meeting and the expense of implementing this alternative, she urged the committee to change the phasing for this alternative to an even longer timeframe – longer than As Opportunity Arises.

Harald Bender stated that he lives at 6 Maureen Drive and that he has a problem with the concept of placing alternatives in the appendix of the report. He stated that a failure to plan is planning to fail. He stated that he feels that As Opportunity Arises is a good term for alternatives that are in the appendix and that he wishes to change the name of the appendix to addendum to add weight to the recommendations that ended up there.

Kirsten Griebel asked Judy Rabinowitz how many residents reside in Talcott Acres

Judy Rabinowitz stated that there are about 86-88 residents and many would be affected by the southern gateway alternative.

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A question was raised as to whether anyone ever considered tying the Dunkin Donuts development in with the Hartford parking lot.

Kirsten Griebel asked whether the 20-30 unit apartment building slated for the area was included in analysis for this study.

Judy Rabinowitz stated that perhaps this roadway could be a bike path or a walking path instead of a roadway.

**Adoption of Minutes**

Mary Glassman called for adoption of the May 19<sup>th</sup> minutes. Kirsten Griebel made a motion which Margery Winters seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion of Draft Final Report**

Mary Glassman stated that there will be a Board of Selectman meeting on Monday July 11<sup>th</sup> which will constitute the public release of the Draft RT 10 Study Report and the commence of the 30 day public comment period.

Kirsten Griebel asked whether change can be made to the report before the Board of Selectmen meeting.

Jennifer Carrier making final refinements before the Board of Selectmen meeting can be an iterative process.

Rick Wagner questioned the September deadline asking why it was placed at that particular time.

Mary Glassman stated that it was contractual and that there is only so much money available for this project.

Emil Dahlquist asked several questions related to the symbols on the matrix and reiterated that preferable alternatives should be those that are high value, low cost.

Jennifer Carrier reviewed the buildout scenario.

Emil Dahlquist asked whether DOT is a main decision maker in which projects go forward from here.

Jennifer Carrier stated that in the short term, the town needs to be a champion for projects that they want to have funded. In the longer term, the projects will get funded on an as needed basis.

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Mary Glassman stated that the RT 10 study was funded through a similar type of process which involves the regional agency, CRCOG.

There were several comments relating to the project matrix once again – most relating to readability. Ms. Moos stated that these changes would be made prior to the Board of Selectmen meeting.

Mary Glassman asked for a motion to send the draft report to the Board of Selectmen meeting and to release it at their July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting for public comment. Margery Winters made a motion and Mark Deming seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Next Steps**

Ms. Moos stated that committee members should review the draft report in its current form and send comments to her directly. These comments would get compiled, incorporated and a list of how each comment was addressed would be sent to the committee prior to the 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjourn**

Ms. Glassman asked for a motion to adjourn.

Margery Winters made a motion and Mike Fish seconded. The motion passed unanimously.