

**Regional Planning Commission Meeting**  
**West Hartford Town Hall, 50 South Main Street, West Hartford, CT**  
**Thursday, September 15, 2016**  
**7pm**

**Member Attendance**

Lamont Aheart  
Jennifer Earley-Bartiss  
Timothy Bergin  
Sandra Bobowski, Chair  
David Brassard  
Ted Cabata  
Craig Diangelo  
Brendan Malone  
Ed Marek  
H. Scott Miller  
Lansford Perry  
Karl Profe  
William Rice  
Stanley Sobieski  
Julian Stoppelman  
Susan Westa

**Staff**

Emily Hultquist  
Mary Ellen Kowalewski  
Brittany Stephenson

**Guests**

Lori Mathieu  
Eric McPhee  
Linda Painter  
Laurie Whitten

**Town/Organization**

Vernon  
Plainville  
Manchester  
Hartford  
East Granby  
Southington  
New Britain  
Suffield  
Coventry  
Glastonbury  
Canton  
Windsor  
Simsbury  
Newington  
Manchester  
Mansfield

CRCOG  
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CT Dept. Public Health  
CT Dept. Public Health  
Mansfield  
East Windsor

With a quorum present, Chairperson Sandra Bobowski called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. RPC members, staff, and guests introduced themselves.

**1. Adoption of Minutes: May 19, 2016**

Stanley Sobieski made a motion seconded by Lamont Aheart to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2016 RPC meeting. The motion passed with two abstentions from Karl Profe and William Rice.

**2. Meeting Topics for Upcoming RPC Meetings**

Emily Hultquist asked the committee to share interests, topic areas, and discussions the members would like to have on the agenda of upcoming RPC meetings. Sandra Bobowski stated she would like the committee to look into and discuss regional resource sharing. Karl Profe inquired about a CT **fastrak** update covering projections and calculations.

**3. Presentation and Q & A: Overview of Public Drinking Water Supply Planning in Connecticut, Presentation by Lori J. Mathieu, Public Health Section Chief, Drinking Water Section and Eric McPhee, Supervisor, Source Assessment/Protection Unit**

Mary Ellen Kowalewski introduced guest speakers, Lori J. Mathieu and Eric McPhee, with the Connecticut Department of Public Health.

Lori and Eric engaged the committee in a presentation on water utility coordinating committees. A copy of the presentation has been posted to CRCOG's new website, <http://crcog.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/CRCOG-WUCC-Presentation.pdf> .

For more information on Water Utility Coordinating Committees including upcoming meetings, please visit [www.ct.gov/dph/wucc](http://www.ct.gov/dph/wucc) .

**4. Report on Zoning and Subdivision Referrals**

Emily Hultquist presented this item to the committee. She discussed the supplemental report, highlighting the towns of Avon and East Windsor's proposed plan of conservation and development updates.

**Lamont Aheart moved to approve the referrals. Stanley Sobieski seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

**5. What's New in My Town-A Discussion and Report on Local Planning and Development Activities in the Municipalities of the Capitol Region**

*Hartford-* Sandra Bobowski updated the committee on the status of the stadium. Stadium work may resume as early as next week.

*Manchester*-Timothy Bergin updated the committee on residential apartment houses. The town will allow apartment houses to go to 7 stories in the general business zone. This amendment will allow the first project above 30 feet.

*Mansfield*-Susan Westa updated the committee on multi-family housing regulations. There will be a 9 month moratorium until regulations are received.

*Simsbury*-William Rice updated the committee on their plan update process – the town just hired a consultant to begin the update. A draft will be submitted to CRCOG in the coming year.

## **6. Other Business**

Mary Ellen Kowalewski advised the committee that RPC members and alternates appointments will be requested in the fall.

Emily Hultquist notified the committee of an invitation to apply for free technical assistance from EPA. The goal is to assist in overcoming barriers while implementing smart growth development approaches. The application deadline is 5pm on October 12, 2016.

Emily also shared with the committee the new website and explained the RPC page has a new look. Meeting minutes will be posted under the events tab of the page.

With no further discussion items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.