

Capitol Region Council of Governments

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES CRCOG Boardroom, 241 Main Street, 4th Floor, Hartford, CT May 11, 2016 Noon

Attendance

Chip Beckett, Chair
Jon Colman
Matthew Hart
Richard Hines
Scott Kaupin
Dave Kilbon
Marcia Leclerc
Robert Lee
Nancy Nickerson
Scott Shanley
Ron Van Winkle
Steve Werbner

Town/Organization

Glastonbury
Bloomfield
Mansfield
Avon
Enfield
East Granby
East Hartford
Plainville
Farmington
Manchester
West Hartford
Tolland

Staff

Cheryl Assis
Winsome Barnaby
Jennifer Carrier
Mary Ellen Kowalewski
Jennifer March-Wackers
Brittany Stephenson
Lyle Wray
Pauline Yoder

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Guests

Luke Bronin
Scott Colby

Hartford
Plainville

1. Roll Call

With a quorum present, Chairperson Chip Beckett called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

2. Public Comment

No public comments.

3. Approval of Minutes from March 9, 2016

Chairman Beckett requested a motion to adopt the minutes. Jon Colman made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 9, 2016 Executive Committee meeting. Dave Kilbon seconded. Richard Hines abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Chair and Executive Director Remarks and Report

Lyle Wray outlined the agenda as well as upcoming meetings including the June 8, 2016 annual meeting and luncheon, the next economic development meeting at the LOB with Penn Professor Burch on June 17, 2016. The topic of the third anchor institutions series will be on how to attract and retain millennials. He shared with the committee a meeting he had with German consul staff member Helmut Lander relating to an upcoming seminar on advanced manufacturing at the LOB in late October or early November. He updated committee on completion of GIS flyover, website development, and Nutmeg network meetings. No further discussion.

Chairperson Beckett reported on a meeting he had with Mayor Luke Bronin and legislative proposals. The committee will plan to have a more effective meeting with legislators in future to ensure legislators understand the needs of the region.

5. CRCOG Budget 2016 2017 (FY2016-2017 Budget Highlights)

Pauline Yoder presented this item to the committee for approval. The budget offers two approaches which includes SGIA funding and a contingency, if funding not received. CRCOG's 2016-2017 budget provides for stable operating revenue for current fiscal year. The outlook for FY2019-2020 is challenging and CRCOG staff recommends review and mitigation measures as necessary beginning FY2018-2019. Pauline answered questions from committee members. No further discussion.

Jon Colman moved to recommend the budget to the full Board as presented on screen. Dave Kilbon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Regional Future Options (Handout)

Lyle Wray introduced this item to the committee which included handouts on previous regional activity. He highlighted the current state of the region and member towns, including lack of growth. He invited the committee to engage in conversation on future options as it related to the pros and cons of regionalism. The discussion resulted in an agreement made by the committee to contact a facilitator to begin developing a paper on solutions for the needs of the region.

7. CRCOG Annual Meeting 2016 Planning

Lyle Wray reminded the committee of the June 8, 2016 annual meeting and luncheon at the Glastonbury Boat House. The guest speaker will be Uconn President Susan Herbst. There were no questions.

8. Adjournment

With no further discussion items, Chairperson Beckett requested a motion to adjourn. **Jon Colman moved to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Nickerson seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:57pm.**