

CRCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Wednesday, January 18, 2023

12:00 noon

This is a hybrid meeting.

Physical location is 241 Main Street, 3rd Floor Board Room, Hartford, CT 06106

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Attendance

Jon Colman
John Elsesser
Mike Walsh
Lori Spielman
Raul DeJesus
Brock Weber
Steve Stephanou
Wendy Mackstutis
Mark Sciota
Steve Jones
Fred Presley
Peter Souza

Staff

Rob Aloise
Cheryl Assis
Laura Rosenbluth
Matt Hart
Elizabeth Sanderson
Pauline Yoder

Guests

Gary Schless

Town/Organization

Bloomfield
Coventry
East Hartford
Ellington
Hartford
New Britain(Alternate)
Manchester
Simsbury
Southington
Tolland
Wethersfield
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1. Call to Order

First Selectwoman Lori Spielman called meeting to order at 12:04PM

2. Public Comment

No Public comment was offered.

3. Approval of Minutes from October 12, 2022

John Elsesser made a motion to approve the minutes of October 12, 2022 as presented. Jon Colman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Correspondence/Handouts

None.

5. Executive Session

Jon Colman made a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the selection of a site or the lease, sale or purchase of real estate by the state or a political subdivision of the state when publicity regarding such site, lease, sale, purchase or construction would adversely impact the price of such site, lease, sale, purchase or construction until such time as all of the property has been acquired or all proceedings or transactions concerning same have been terminated or abandoned, pursuant to C.G.S. Sec. 1-200(6)(D), and to invite Matt Hart, Pauline Yoder, and Gary Schless to attend the meeting. John Elsesser seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

At 12:36PM the committee exited executive session. Matt Hart stated that the Policy Board will consider the matter at its meeting next week. Gary Schless left the meeting.

6. Business Items

a. Quarterly Finance Report

Pauline Yoder presented the financial report and explained that all projects are on track as expected. Peter Souza asked about revenues listed page 2 for Regional Solid Waste Management. Ms. Yoder explained that the revenue is for dues paid to the Central Connecticut Solid Waste Authority (CCSWA). Jon Colman made a motion to accept the report and Steve Stephanou seconded. The motion carried unanimously. (The report is available at CRCOG.ORG or by clicking [HERE](#).)

b. Resolution to Approve Contract between CRCOG and Grossman Solutions LLC for Strategic Visioning Exercise

Matt Hart explained that he is seeking endorsement of the contract by the Executive Committee for approval by the Policy Board. Mr. Hart further explained that the goal of this project is to identify key goals and initiatives of CRCOG staff and the Policy Board for the next 2-5 years. Additionally, this initiative will include an assessment of the environment, challenges, and opportunities that CRCOG faces.

Elizabeth Sanderson is serving as the project manager and reported the RFP was issued in August 2022, 12 responses were received, and the proposed fees varied. The selection committee interviewed five firms, completed two reference checks for two finalists, and ultimately agreed to endorse Grossman Solutions as the preferred vendor. The project will last 6 – 8 months and funding will come from Local Council Admin funds, originally budgeted for \$25,000. Jon Colman, who served on the selection committee, endorsed Grossman's selection, explaining that they align with CRCOG's vision, are a local agency, and that the Policy Board will be pleased with their efforts. Jon Colman made a motion to endorse the agreement for approval by the Policy Board. John Elsesser seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

c. Update on Executive Director Goals & Objectives

Matt Hart provided a status report on the goals and objectives that the Personnel & Finance Committee has endorsed for his first year. (The Status Report can be found at CRCOG.ORG by clicking [HERE.](#))

7. Adjournment

Jon Colman made a motion to adjourn at 1:20pm, seconded by John Elsesser. The motion carried unanimously.

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