

CRCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
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Wednesday, March 8, 2023

12:00 noon

This was a virtual meeting.

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Attendance

Jon Colman
Jim Rupert
Mark Walter
John Elsesser
Mike Walsh
Jason Bowsza
Lori Spielman
Raul DeJesus
Steve Stephanou
Wendy Mackstutis
Steve Jones
Fred Presley

Town/Organization

Bloomfield
Bolton
Columbia
Coventry
East Hartford
East Windsor
Ellington
Hartford
Manchester
Simsbury
Tolland
Wethersfield

Staff

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

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Guests

Kathie Lutz

Rome, Smith, Lutz

1. Call to Order

First Selectwoman Lori Spielman called meeting to order at 12:06PM

2. Public Comment

No Public comment was offered.

3. Approval of Minutes from October 12, 2022

Jon Colman made a motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2023 as presented. Stephen Stephanou seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Correspondence/Handouts

None.

5. Staff Reports

Matt Hart explained that CRCOG's Waste Management Study is underway, with RRS and TetraTech as our consultants. It's a 3-phase project initiated when MIRA closed in 2022. Sustainability and cost-effective remedies are the top priority. Recommendations to the Policy Board will be made in April or May. Central Connecticut Solid Waste Authority will be presented the findings afterwards. CRCOG is also following the Governor's bill 6664 on waste management.

RPIP has been another priority in CRCOG. The grants will provide a 3-year subsidy to regional programs – animal control, assessment, code enforcement. Assessment and Code enforcement are the focus. The team is working on 3 different service delivery models:

- i.** Per diem model
- ii.** Sub – regional model
- iii.** Full district model

Furthermore, Hart stated he is continuing his outreach and visitations with member towns.

Kathie Lutz added that the legislative committees are reaching their deadlines – and clearing out of bills is under way. The Planning and Development committee is working on condensed bill list that aligns with CRCOG's legislative agenda.

6. Executive Session

Lori Spielman 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 and Pauline Yoder to attend the executive session. Jon Colman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Business Items

a. Approval of Office Lease for Space at 350 Church St. ("Metro Center")

Coming out of Executive Session Matt Hart recommended a motion that he be granted authorization to execute a lease for office space at 350 Church Street. Jon Colman made the motion, Jason Bowzsa seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

b. CRCOG Consultancy for Short term Projects & Engagements

Matt Hart sought the input of the committee for a pilot initiative that CRCOG would maintain a list of qualified individuals that are able to work on short term projects in the CRCOG member towns. The program isn't meant to be a revenue generator but a benefit to CRCOG member towns. CRCOG would not be involved in the financial transaction. An administrative fee may be charged if there's impact to CRCOG insurance or workload. Spielman and Bowsza agreed they support the pilot program. Steve Jones concurred, stating that retirements in many positions are rising.

8. Adjournment

Jon Colman made a motion to adjourn at 12:20pm, seconded by John Elsesser. The motion carried unanimously.

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