

**CRCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED**

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 12noon

This was a virtual meeting.

For more information, email or call Laura Rosenbluth at 860-724-4283

**Attendance**

James Rupert  
Mark Walter  
Lisa Thomas  
Jason Bowsza  
Lori Spielman  
Joe Capodiferro  
Randal Davis  
Raúl De Jesús  
Steve Stephanou  
Toni Moran  
David Porter  
Erin Stewart  
Brock Weber  
Jon Trister  
Mike Paulhus  
Wendy Mackstutis  
Paul Chaplinsky  
Mark Sciota  
Katie Stargardter  
Rick Ledwith  
Shari Cantor  
Fred Presley  
Ken Lesser  
Nuchette Black-Burke  
Peter Souza

**Town/Organization**

Bolton  
Columbia  
Coventry  
East Windsor  
Ellington  
Farmington  
Hartford  
Hartford  
Manchester  
Mansfield  
Marlborough  
New Britain  
New Britain  
Newington  
Plainville  
Simsbury  
Southington  
Southington  
Tolland  
West Hartford  
West Hartford  
Wethersfield  
Wethersfield  
Windsor  
Windsor

## **CRCOG Staff**

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

### 1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Stewart called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM.

### 2. **Public Comment**

No public comment was offered.

### 3. **Approval of Minutes from October 25, 2023**

Lori Spielman made a motion to approve the minutes of October 25, 2023 as presented. Jason Bowsza seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### 4. **Staff Reports**

Matt Hart dedicated the next CRCOG newsletter to Lyle Wray emeritus. Hart shared that he is on the General Assembly's Motor Vehicle Task Force to observe the motor vehicle tax. Hart is urging the task force to do a thorough examination of the tax before making judgements. Hart mentioned the upcoming Legislative Agenda and a planning grant for the federal RAISE Grant.

### 5. **Business Items** – Begins at 14:00 minutes in.

- a. Policy Board Orientation - Matt invited Policy Members to an orientation on January 24<sup>th</sup>.
- b. CRCOG Bylaws & Meeting Schedule – Hart addressed the need to update the bylaws, with plans for the CRCOG staff to do so in the upcoming months. Members also highlighted the convenience of the meeting schedule, determining that the lunch hour is the most efficient time.
- c. Presentations to Policy Board – Members offered suggestions for upcoming presenters at Policy Board. Senator Blumenthal and the DECD were brought up.
- d. CRCOG Foundation Update – Essentially formed as a funding source for regional projects and initiatives. Hart asked the committee to reevaluate the goals of the CRCOG Foundation. Peter Souza discussed bringing in experts over the Spring to reevaluate the foundation.

### 6. **Correspondence and Handouts**

No correspondence or handouts.

### 7. **Adjournment**

Lori Spielman made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:52 pm.

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