



## Meeting Minutes - June 2015 Meeting

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Russell Gray, NECCOG Chair opened the meeting at 9:04 and noted that a quorum was in place.

- ▶ Previous Meeting Minutes for April and May were adopted as presented
- ▶ There was no public participation

### Executive Director's Report - John Filchak, Executive Director

- The **Transit District** - Routes have now been re-formulated in Putnam to account for the bridge closure on Route 44/Kennedy Drive. Some confusion has occurred - which is expected - however, this should correct itself shortly. Ridership is down a bit from this time last year and we are attempting to understand the reasons. We will be conducting on bus surveys in July to speak with our customers. We are discussing with CONNDOT the option to install crammers on each bus to increase security.
- Animal Services** - our activity continues to grow with the warmer weather - however, our staff has been able to keep the kennel population to a minimum (3-5 dogs/5-10 cats). We still assisting Thompson with animal control due as a result of an injury sustained by their ACO. We have acquired one vehicle from the Town of Killingly for the Program. Special thanks again to Killingly to providing us with a vehicle for several months - this was extremely generous and kept us going and within budget.
- Regional Reval** - Contract for the vendor and the participating towns is now drawn and we must now finalize who will be participating - gain OPM approval (which should not be difficult) and move toward full implementation later this year.
- Pre-Hospital Emergency Response Study** - Fitch and Associates will be meeting with the Oversight Committee on the 30th - along with touring the Region - including a meeting with QVEC to discuss data. The regional survey should begin within the next two weeks.
- Paramedic Intercept Program RFP** - Two respondents are being interviewed next week and then we'd like to schedule a public meeting with the two respondents, DKH and others to select the vendor.
- Emergency Management** - We completed updating the Regional Asset Inventory for Region IV.
- GIS** - The Director discussed that the new Viewer was fully operational and that the GIS Director was now working on specific town parcel updates.
- MORE Commission** - the Education/Town Working Group (which I chair) is now meeting weekly through October with the goal of developing policy recommendations in November.
- Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan** - Waiting on word from FEMA.
- TNR** - The program is now just short of 100 cats addressed. We have also secured a "cat recovery center" - located next to the shelter.

## Discussion and Action Items

1. **Paramedic Intercept Program Status and Vendor Selection** - The Council had extensive discussion regarding the Program and the possible changes
2. **Regional Revaluation Program** - Next Steps - Director briefly outlined that the towns (new participants) will need to adopt local resolutions and request a delay from OPM.
3. Consideration of the **2015-16 NECTD Budget** - adopted as presented - motion by Mr. Ives and second by Mr. Lenky to approve as presented - **passed unanimously**
4. Consideration of the **2015-16 NECCOG Budget and Work Plan** -motion by Mr. Walker and second by Ms..Nicholson to approve as presented - **adopted as presented**

Adjourned - 10:00 am

