



## June 2016 Meeting Minutes

June 24, 2016 - 9:00 am - 125 Putnam Pike, Dayville, CT

Russell Gray, NECCOG Chair **opened the meeting** at 9:02 am

**Town in attendance:** Brooklyn, Canterbury, Chaplin, Eastford, Hampton, Killingly, Scotland, Sterling, Thompson, Woodstock

Pledge of Allegiance was conducted

Agenda items were added as presented on a motion from Mr. Ives and seconded by Mr. Piper

The **April and May 2016 Meeting Minutes** were accepted as presented on a motion by Mr. Walker and a second by Mr. Beausoleil.

### Selectmen's Roundtable

- Discussion regarding the Medical Examiner's contention that municipalities are responsible for the financial costs related to unclaimed persons. Mr. Hendricks indicated that CCM and COST are on top of the issue and that it appeared that a resolution was imminent.
- Mr. Beausoleil discussed his desire to schedule seminars with CCM and CIRMA etc. in the region covering a range of issues. Mr. Ives added that he has dealt with CIRMA on such matters and that it's pretty simple to set up. The Executive Director will begin the process of setting up seminars.
- Mr. Ives brought up the issue of the Resident Trooper Program or some form of regional policing for discussion. The Director reminded the Council that an investigation of the issue is part of the 16-17 Work Plan.

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

#### Program and Projects Updates

- GIS, working with assessors on parcel updates
- Route 169 Plan is done and we will have it ready for a vote/endorsement at the next meeting
- Reval Program appears to be moving along without issues
- Water Utility Coordinating Committee for the eastern region has begun its work
- CMRPA has invited us to be an ex-officio on their MPO - closer relationship

#### Animal Services - still slow for dogs, seizure of about 30 cats

#### Transit District

- Ridership is steady - issue is drivers or the lack of drivers
- Held meeting with both CMRPA and WRTA about linkages between the two systems - Thompson off of Route 12 looks promising - longer term, a commuter bus from the region to Worcester

#### Regional Election Monitor

- Our REM met with the Windham County Registrars of Voters May 25th in Scotland. Courses that are now required are frequently being canceled and for some reason there is no online option.
- Registrars are for the most part not deeply familiar with spreadsheets and data analysis. During the meeting many expressed frustration with the 11 **Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) reports** they received in February and are now receiving follow up messages seeking confirmation they have attended to 95% of the suggestions. Well, it appears most are not comfortable with any data wider than one screen or sheet of paper.

- We have succeeded in getting a **Moderator training class** scheduled in NECCOG - at Plainfield **July 25th**. Looking at the Moderator's list we have about 80 moderators listed who are or will expire(d) by November and have not refused to serve again, but nor are we sure these or those whose certifications have not expired are willing to serve again.

- Paramedic Program** - Current contract expires shortly - we can renew at \$134 (3% or \$4 more per transport) or go back out to RFP - Much interest in bidding - cannot guarantee price
- 125 Putnam Pike** - about to retain an appraiser - also Executive Committee has directed me to look at alternatives based on our projected needs
- RPI Status** - with the Budget in difficult shape, we are not optimistic about our applications
- State Budget** - not sure where the cuts are coming from -but it is deteriorating  
*Governor's budget office announced the red ink in the 2015-16 finances worsened over the past month by \$56.7 million — a problem driven largely by a \$75 million drop in projected income tax receipts. the annual budget, is now expected to finish 2015-16 nearly \$316 million in deficit*

Mr. Brodeur asked about the status of the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Study. The Director indicated that despite the fact that we may not receive the requested RPI funds that the study will proceed latter this yea.

## Discussion and Action Items

1. **Regional Referrals** - none received
2. **STIP Amendments/Actions** - block vote as presented, Mr. Walker motioned to approve all, Mr. Piper second
  - a. Project #0170-XXXX, SECTION 5311 - SECTION 5311 PROG ADJUST TO ACTUAL APPR & RTAP PROG FFY 2014, 2016 \$403,000 - MOVE FROM FFY'14 TO FFY'16 AND INCR. EST. FROM FED \$100K
  - b. Project #0476-XXXX, NECTD - NECTD - SECTION 5311 CAPITAL FY 2014, 2016 \$375,000 - MOVE FROM FFY'14 TO FFY'16
  - c. Project #XXXX, SECTION 5311 - SECTION 5311 - INTERCITY BUS PROJECTS FY 14, 2016 \$46,000 - New Project
  - d. Project #0170-3346, STATEWIDE - INSTALL ROAD WEATHER INFO SYSTEMS (RWIS), 2016 \$408,000 - INCREASE ESTIMATE FROM FED. \$269K
  - e. Project #0170-3346, STATEWIDE - INSTALL ROAD WEATHER INFO SYSTEMS (RWIS), 2016 \$17,000 - INCREASE ESTIMATE FROM FED. \$11K
  - f. Project #0136-0073, STERLING - REPLACE BR 00688 OVER MOSSUP RIVER, PD, 2017 \$150,000 - NEW PROJECT
  - g. Project #0136-0073, STERLING - REPLACE BR 00688 OVER MOSSUP RIVER, FD 2017 \$150,000 - NEW PROJECT
  - h. Project #0136-0073, STERLING - REPLACE BR 00688 OVER MOSSUP RIVER, ROW2017 \$50,000 - NEW PROJECT
  - i. Project #0136-0073, STERLING - REPLACE BR 00688 OVER MOSSUP RIVER, CON FYI \$1.5m - NEW PROJECT
4. **Transit District Policy Updates** - Block vote as presented, Mr. Ives, approved with motion, Mr. Syme seconds to approve
  - a. Limited English Proficiency Policy Plan
  - b. Service And Fare Equity Analysis Policy
  - c. Title Vi Policy And Procedures
  - d. Public Participation Policy
5. **2016-17 Work Plan and Budgets - NECCOG and NECTD**, the Director reviewed the Plan and it was accepted as presented **Mr. Walker motioned to accept work plan budget as submitted, Mr. Brodeur second.**
6. **Other Agenda Items**

Adjourn - 9:45 pm