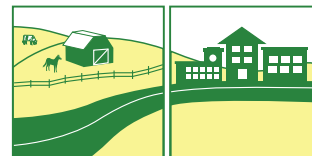




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Northeastern Connecticut
Transit District

Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2018

NECCOG Chair Rick Ives opened the meeting at 8:30 am

There was representation from the following towns: Brooklyn, Canterbury, Eastford, Hampton, Killingly, Plainfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Scotland, Sterling, Thompson, Union, and Woodstock.

The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mr. Beausoleil moved to accept the previous meeting minutes and Mr. Syme seconded - passed unanimously.

There was no public participation.

Directors Report - John Filchak, Executive Director

- ▶ **Town Projects** - Branding Plans: Brooklyn, Pomfret. Zoning Regulations for Scotland and Thompson. Zoning Map and possible regs for Ashford. Zoning Assistance for Voluntown Land Use Assistance for Eastford
- ▶ **Transit District Operations** - Still unclear with the budget - hits could be significant have asked if we make up the 15% loss if we can still leverage all federal funds
- ▶ **125 Putnam Pike Purchase** - May meeting still pending legislation
- ▶ **Crumbling Foundations** - One bill, sponsored by Blumenthal, would provide \$100 million to homeowners through Federal Emergency Management Agency grants. The second bill, sponsored by Murphy, would make an additional \$100 million available to the captive insurance fund started by the state through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Handout
- ▶ **DEMHS Region 4 Activities** - nothing significant
- ▶ **Transportation: LRTP** - soliciting projects and local annex issues - safety, etc. Doug's Issue
- ▶ **Commission on Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth** - not going anywhere
- ▶ **Legislation** - handout / 490
- ▶ **Meeting with CRCOG** - Regional Reval
- ▶ **RPIP Grants** (HHW, Pre-Hospital Emergency Care and Animal Shelter Improvements) Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Study RFP
- ▶ **Town Policies Survey**/Sexual harassment seminar from CHRO in May
- ▶ **IVS Ballot Marking System election equipment** - Alternative site for maintenance
- ▶ **2018-19 NECCOG and NECTD Work Plan and Budget** - appears no change from the Governor's number which is 35% less than the budget passed last fall

Discussion and Action Items

1. **Transit Bylaw Change** - The Director asked that the matter be held to the May meeting to ensure that each member has the opportunity to fully review the proposed change. Mr. Beausoleil asked Mr. Filchak which language had been changed and if the original document could be sent to the CEOs.
2. **Regional Referrals** - None

3. **STIP Amendments** - Project Number 0170-3496, FY18: STATEWIDE TRANS DEMAND MGMNT (GREATER CT MODERATE), 2018, \$1,927,000 - Mr. Alberts motioned to approve and Ms. Nicholson seconded - **passed unanimously**

3. **New Regional Proposals** - Continued discussion

- ▶ **New regional Proposals:** Director indicated that he was continuing to work on the audit RFP and would like to issue it shortly. Mr. Seney stated the Human Services/Veteran's advocate position is in their budget and asked when will we know which towns want in? Mr. Beausoleil asked how many are needed to make it work and Mr. Ives asked if we could get a commitment from everyone who is interested. The towns which answered "NO" were Woodstock, Pomfret, and Eastford with Scotland being a "YES" and Canterbury a maybe. Woodstock and Pomfret would be interested in the Regional Assessor sometime in the future or the next fiscal year, while Scotland and Canterbury are considering it.

4. **Selectmen's Roundtable**

- ▶ It was discussed the Paramedic program is working very well and no changes are anticipated.
- ▶ Mr. Seney publicly thanked Shawn Johnston of Eversource for the excellent work and response they have received.
- ▶ The State Budget was discussed with Rep. Dubitsky.

Adjourn - motioned by Mr. Alberts and seconded by Mr. Syme at 9:08