



REGULAR AGENCY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

7:30 P.M. Thursday, February 3, 2011 ; CCRPA 225 N. Main St. Ste 304, Bristol, CT

- I. Call to order & roll call (report of excused absences & declaration of quorum - 4 towns)- the meeting was called to order at approximately 7:40PM with the following members in attendance except as other wise noted:

	Chief Elected Official Rep.	Planning Commission Rep.	Council Rep. (Towns >50,000)
Berlin	Bart Bovee, absent	Dennis Kern, Vice Chair, excused absent	~
Bristol	John Pompei, Chair	Donald Padlo, excused absent	Tim Furey
Burlington	Peter McBrien, excused absent	Paul Rachielles, excused absent	~
New Britain	Donald Naples, Secretary	Steven P. Schiller, excused absent	Craig Diangelo
Plainville	vacant	Jennifer Bartiss-Earley	~
Plymouth	Stephen Mindera	Carl Johnson	~
Southington	Brian Callahan	Rudy Cabata, Treas.	Paul Bedard

- II. Presentation: New England Trail and Trails in the Region, Francis Pickering, CCRPA Staff
 MOTION: Tim Furey moved to table the presentation to the March 3, 2011 meeting due to low Board member attendance; seconded by Donald Naples; pass unanimously

- III. Comments from the public regarding items not on the agenda - none

IV. Action Items

- A. Receive the December 2010 Financial Report and file for Audit

MOTION: Tim Furey moved to accept and file the December 2010 Financial Report for audit; seconded by Craig Diangelo; passed unanimously

- B. Approve January 6, 2011, meeting minutes

MOTION: Tim Furey moved to accept as presented; seconded by Rudy Cabata; passed unanimously

- C. Standing Committee Reports

1. Program, Finance, and Personnel (PFP) Committee - no meeting held.
2. Comprehensive Plan Committee (CPC) (No action required on referrals if all decisions were unanimous; see CPC agenda for item listings) - no meeting held
3. Transportation Improvement Committee
 - a. STIP/TIP amendment to approve statewide projects 171-327, 174-328, 174- 334, and 170-2987

MOTION: Tim Furey moved to approve the STIP/TIP amendment to statewide projects 171-327, 174-328, and 170-2987; seconded by Stephen Mindera; passed unanimously

- b. STIP/TIP amendment to approve Burlington project 174-351

MOTION: Tim Furey moved to approve the STIP/TIP amendment to approve Burlington project 174-351 noting a correction to the spelling of the town Granby; seconded by Stephen Mindera; passed unanimously

4. Legislative Committee

Chairman Furey reported on the Committee's discussions regarding proposed changes to the statutes that the Agency is supporting, including HB 5178 (streamlining planning/zoning referral procedures by allowing email), and a bill relieving municipalities of liabilities for passive recreation on publicly owned lands. He also noted that, based on comments received from Chief Elected Officials of the Region, the Committee would be

working further on issues related to unfunded mandates and planning and development related changes such as the reduction in the number of fire inspections required of three-family dwellings, and an extension to the time allowed for filing subdivision maps.

D. Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Transportation Advisory Committee Bylaws Amendment

The Executive Director briefly reviewed the status of the Agency's existing ADA Advisory Committee and the need to change its function and formalize its structure. He noted, however, that the existing Advisory Committee was not able to review the proposed changes to their Bylaws because the snow required a re-scheduling of the meeting at which they were going to do so. Board members made various suggestions for changes to the proposed Bylaws including changes to the process for appointing members to the Committee, and some other aspects of organizational structure. It was noted that there was no urgent need to act on these proposed Bylaws.

MOTION: Tim Furey moved to table approval of the ADA Transportation Advisory Committee Bylaws to allow the Executive Director to modify them to respond to comments made by the Board members, and to give the existing Committee an opportunity to comment on the proposed changes; seconded by Stephen Mindera; passed unanimously

- V. Executive Director's Report - the Executive Director reported that based on conversations he has had with various other regional and state officials it is apparent that the Full Funding Agreement for the Busway will not be approved by the Federal government until the new Governor makes a firm commitment to the project and that such a commitment may not be made for another 6 months. Further it was reported that there are no new developments related to improvement of the Waterbury-Berlin rail line.
- VI. Information - none
- VII. Adjournment was declared at approximately 8:25PM

Respectfully submitted: Cheri Bouchard-Duquette