

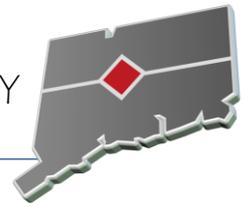
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CENTRAL CONNECTICUT TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (CCTIC) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DAY/DATE: Thursday, March 12, 2009
MEETING TIME: 9:00 A.M.
**PLACE: Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency
Conference Room, 225 North Main Street, Suite 304
Bristol, CT**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Determination of Quorum, by Chairman Don Padlo, at 9:00 AM

Members:

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| Berlin | Art Simonian | present | New Britain | Steven Schiller | ex. absence |
| Berlin | Morgan Seelye | present | Plainville | vacancy | |
| Bristol | Donald Padlo, Chair | present | Plainville | John Bossi | present |
| Bristol | Walter Veselka | present | Plymouth | Tony Lorenzetti | present |
| Burlington | Scott Tharau | present | Plymouth | Stephen W. Mindera, Jr. | present |
| Burlington | Bernard Schuster | represented | Southington | Tony Tranquillo | present |
| | by Kathy Zabel | | | | |
| New Britain | Mark Moriarty | represented | Southington | Jim Grappone | present |
| | by Pat Kirkwood | | | | |

2. Comments from the Public - none

3. ACTION: Approve February 18, 2009, special meeting minutes – MOTION to approve, made by Art Simonian, seconded by Jim Grappone, passed unanimously.

4. ACTION: Electronic Delivery of Agenda Packages – Staff inquired into whether members would prefer paper or electronically distributed agenda packages. MOTION to approve with conditions that a location on the CCRPA website for all meeting materials be established and regular updates to TIC matters on website be accomplished, made by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., seconded by Walter Veselka, passed unanimously. Staff reiterated that large attachments would be available in the office in hard copy, as well as on the website. Staff reported to the committee that the transportation section of the CCRPA would be enhanced to contain timely information for the committee.

5. INFORMATION: STP-Enhancement Solicitations – Staff informed the committee that DOT announced that they have targeted this spring as the time when they will solicit for proposals to be funded under the STP-Enhancements program, assuming reauthorization of the transportation bill on October 1, 2009. Usually, one project per region is funded. Previously funded projects include the Berlin Depot and Southington rails-to-trails first phase.

6. ACTION: Reprioritization of Proposals for Reinvestment and Recovery Package from the Region – Staff reviewed the recent history of the solicitation from DOT from November 2008 to present. While the region has a list of projects, staff explained, a method of distribution needed to be established if equity for the towns was a goal to disburse the amounts for the region in the ARRA. Staff presented a real-time Excel table of per capita funds and previously submitted project proposals. The table was designed to show changes to allocations by project cost. The advantages and disadvantages of a per

capita distribution were discussed. Other modifications to such distribution were also discussed. MOTION: to accept a per capita distribution of allocated ARRA funds, made by Walter Veselka, seconded by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., passed unanimously. Additionally, MOTION: to notify the Region immediately if a previously submitted project cannot be advanced, made by Walter Veselka, seconded by Art Simonian, passed unanimously. Some comments focused on pavement management reviews by ConnDOT. Staff agreed to pursue a written criteria list for overlay projects from ConnDOT that would spell out submission requirements.

7. INFORMATION: STP-Urban Program Review – Staff reviewed the urban program for 2009, and reminded the committee that some action in May would be necessary to decide upon the disposition of underprogrammed funds. The committee was alerted to the fact that \$649,000 was carried over from 2008 to help fund the Glen Street Pedestrian Project and the Beaver Street Project in New Britain. Side discussion regarding remaining Transit Enhancement funding was initiated by Staff.
8. Any Other Matters – Walter Veselka notified the committee of a webinar on the ARRA funding and how it affects municipalities would be taking place later that afternoon, and that the City of Bristol had arranged to be a participating site to access the webinar. Art Simonian asked Staff whether or not any status report had been received about the Farmington Avenue bridge in Berlin. Staff will follow up with PCU at ConnDOT.
9. Adjournment – MOTION: made by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., seconded by Walter Veselka, passed unanimously.

Meeting ended at 10:30 AM.