

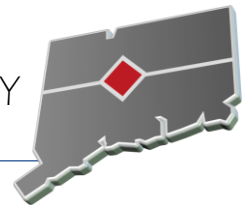
# CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY

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## CENTRAL CONNECTICUT TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (CCTIC) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DAY/DATE: **Thursday November 19, 2009**  
MEETING TIME: **9:00 A.M.**  
PLACE: **Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency  
Conference Room, 225 North Main Street, Suite 304  
Bristol, CT**

- I. Call to Order (9:00 AM), Roll Call and Determination of Quorum  
Members:

Municipality	Representation	Name	Municipality	Representation	Name
Berlin	Staff	Art Simonian – ex. absence	New Britain	Board	Steven Schiller – absent
Berlin	Staff	Bryan Griswold	Plainville		Vacancy
Bristol	Board	Donald Padlo, Chair	Plainville	Staff	John Bossi
Bristol	Staff	Walter Veselka, represented by Ray Rogozinski	Plymouth	Staff	Tony Lorenzetti
Burlington	Staff	Scott Tharau – absent	Plymouth	Board	Stephen W. Mindera, Jr.
Burlington		Vacancy	Southington		Vacancy
New Britain	Staff	Mark Moriarty	Southington	Staff	Jim Grappone

- II. Comments from the Public – none.

III. Action Items

- A. Approval of the Minutes from September 24, 2009, Regular Meeting – MOTION to approve by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., seconded by Mark Moriarty, passed unanimously.
- B. Appoint Cost Estimate Increase Subcommittee Re: Beaver Street Reconstruction – MOTION to table until January so more information could be gathered, made by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., seconded by Jim Grappone, passed unanimously.
- C. Proposed Amendment to STP-Urban Application and Criteria – MOTION to approve proposed amendment, made by Mark Moriarty, seconded by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., passed unanimously.
- D. Recommend to the Agency Board the Endorsement of Go21 Statement of Principles – A presentation to staff was given by Nick Sciuillo, State Director of Go21, a nonprofit public interest organization dedicated to improving the quality of life by promoting freight movement by rail. The CCRPA is supportive of enhancing and improving rail freight in the region and requested the TIC to recommend that the Statement of Principles of Go21 be endorsed by the Agency Board. MOTION to endorse the Statement of Principles of Go21 and recommend that the Agency Board endorse the Statement of Principles of Go21, made by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., seconded by Mark Moriarty, passed unanimously.

IV. INFORMATION

- A. Meeting Report – November 10, 2009 DOT Meeting – STP-Urban Programs – Staff reported on the November 10, 2009, meeting with DOT staff regarding the STP-urban program. Several items were highlighted from the meeting that impact the programs such as:
  - The construction phases of Mount Vernon Road, Southington, and Beaver Street, New Britain, will need to be spread out over two or three years by phase financing because the overall costs are too great for the program to absorb in one year.
  - The construction phase of South Main Street, Plymouth, may become a 2011 project instead of 2010, due to the late obligation date and a slower than expected progress of the right-of-way process.
  - Progress on Glen Street, New Britain, needs to be maintained or increased to keep it to its schedule.

- STP-A funds may not be available for the Route 72/Memorial Blvd. project as originally slated due to unknowns in the reauthorization package.
- If the projects in 2010 slip, the option of lending underprogrammed funds to CRCOG (which is overprogrammed in 2010) to be returned to CCRPA in 2011, needs to be considered in the Spring of 2010.
- A tentatively scheduled STP-urban solicitation in 2010 from the CCRPA should be postponed, due to the slowdown in project progression.
- The Farmington Ave Bridge project in Berlin will emerge shortly from the Project Development Unit at DOT, but it seems that the earliest date to obligate this project would be no earlier than 2013, based on schedule delays in earlier years.
- The Route 372 project in Plainville would most likely follow the Berlin project with estimated obligation date in 2014.
- With such projections, the DOT is not presently scheduling review of new projects in the near term (Broad Street, Horace to Burritt; and East Street/East Main Street intersection – both projects in New Britain).

The committee urged that all possible means be implemented to assure that the 2010 schedule remain intact, and the jobs in that year be advanced and accelerated if possible, to prevent schedule slippage. Staff will contact Bill Grant at DOT to express the Committee's position.

- B. Electronic Permit Tracking Systems – Presentation at the January 2010 Meeting – Staff informed the Committee about a presentation by Progeos, LLC, and a CRCOG initiative for electronic permit tracking systems for member towns, and will have the two presenters at the January 2010 TIC meeting, with invitation extended to town planners and CEOs.
  - C. New Long-Range Transportation Plan – Advisory Committee Formation – Staff informed the Committee about the current Long-Range Transportation Plan's (LRTP) expiration date of May 2011. Updates to the LRTP take at least one year. Staff informed the Committee that initial phases of the LRTP were to commence soon, and that the Committee would serve as the Review Committee to accept or reject portions of the LRTP as they are developed.
- V. Any Other Matters – Tony Lorenzetti thanked Ken Shooshan-Stoller for his service to the TIC, upon his departure after 13 years with the CCRPA.
- VI. Adjournment. MOTION to adjourn, made by Mark Moriarty, seconded by Stephen W. Mindera, Jr., passed unanimously at 9:34 AM.