



Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments

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Regional Planning Committee

LOWER CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, September 21, 2020 – 7:00 pm

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members:

Chester	Mike Sanders *
	Cindy Lignar *
Clinton	Alan Kravitz *
	Martin Jaffe
Cromwell	Nick Demetriades *
	Anthony LaCava *
Deep River	Bruce Edgerton *
	Tony Bolduc
Durham	Frank DeFelice *
	Joe Pasquale
East Haddam	Crary Brownell
	Lou Salicrup
East Hampton	Michael Kowalczyk
Essex	Sandra Childress *
Haddam	Raul deBrigard *
	Stasia DeMichele
Killingworth	Alec Martin
	Stephanie Warren *
Lyme	Mary Stone *
	Humphrey Tyler*
Middlefield	Vacancy
Middletown	Beth Emery *
	Kellin Atherton *
Old Lyme	Harold Thompson
Old Saybrook	Thomas Cox
	Karen Jo Marcolini
Portland	Vacancy
Westbrook	Bill Neale *
	Marie Farrell

*Members Present

Staff Present:

Sam Gold
Torrance Downes
Megan Jouflas
Margot Burns

RiverRPC

Guests: Amy Stefanowski, Gregory Ugalde, Bob Fusari, Sr., Michael Barbaro

1. Call to Order

Chairman DeFelice called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was conducted via Zoom.

2. Roll Call

3. Seating of Alternates

Sandra Childress (Essex) and Stephanie Warren (Killingworth) were seated

4. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was adopted with no changes

5. Public Comments – None

6. Approval of Minutes of Past Meetings

Mr. Edgerton moved to approve the August 24, 2020 meeting minutes; second by Mr. Neale. Vote was unanimous in favor.

7. Referrals – None

8. Affordable Housing Workshop

Sixteen of seventeen of RiverCOG municipalities do not reach the 10% minimum for affordable housing under 8-30g. Middletown is the exception. They supply 70% of the affordable housing in the region. During the discussion *affordable housing* will refer to 8-30g housing while *attainable housing* refers to non-8-30g housing, sometimes also referred to as workforce housing. The goal of the workshop is to determine and prioritize impediments to affordable and attainable housing.

Speakers for the workshop include Gregory Ugalde, Bob Fusari and Michael Barbaro. Their qualifications are included in the attached presentation. Please follow this link in order to view the entire workshop discussion:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/bccv31x3epdp8bj/RPC%2009.21.20%20Video.mp4?dl=0>

9. Adjournment

AT 9:56 P.M. Mr. deBrigard moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Mr. Neale. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eliza LoPresti