



Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments

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Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments and Lower Connecticut River Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

MINUTES OF REGIONAL HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, April 22, 2025 – 2:00 PM

Members & Alternates Present: Pat Bandzes & Bonnie Bennet (Chester), Daniel Smith (Deep River), Juliet Hodge (East Hampton), Jenn Miller (Old Lyme)

Others Present: Ben Lovejoy (CT Dept. of Housing), Julia McGrath (Congressman Courtney's Office), Phillip Shattuck & Rebecca Augur (CT OPM), Karla Lindquist (HOPE Partnership), Michael Fogliano (Old Lyme AH), Zoe Chatfield (Tyche, various towns), Irene Haines (East Haddam), Elizabeth Vinick & Pheobe Ploof (LISC), Diane Arnold, Jeff, Deb Huscher, Juliet Cavanaugh, Cheryl Poirier (Regional EDC)

RiverCOG Staff Present: Eliza LoPresti, Susie Beckman, Kevin Armstrong, Megan Joufflas, Marcos Gonzalez

Call To Order

Acting Chairperson Pat Bandzes called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm. There was no quorum.

Approval of Minutes of February 25, 2025 Meetings & March 25, 2025

No quorum to approve minutes

Speaker Series: Pheobe Ploof & Elizabeth Vinick from LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation)

Elizabeth & Pheobe discussed LISC – their slide deck can be viewed [here](#).

Engagement & Education Survey Results

Megan presented the results from the survey that she sent out earlier in the month, they can be viewed [here](#). This will help inform the public education program that we'll be putting together shortly.

Other

UConn Technical Assistance to Brownfields program will be holding a regional round table on June 9th at CT State College at Middlesex, more details to follow.

Ben Lovejoy shared the CT geodata hub <https://geodata.ct.gov/pages/housing>

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Eliza LoPresti

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