Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

October 22, 2026

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, October 22, 2026, at the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut, and via remote access. Chair Harvey presided.

PRESENT

RPB		**Regional Water Authority**
Ansonia	Thomas P. Clifford III	David Borowy
Beacon Falls	Peter Betkoski	Todd Cort
Bethany	Brian Eitzer	Kevin Curseaden
Branford	Carolyn Mancini	Catherine LaMarr
Cheshire	Deena Allard	Mario Ricozzi
Derby	Steve Iacuone(R)	Suzanne Sack(R)
East Haven	Michelle Verderame(R)	
Guilford	Charles Havrda	**Management**
Hamden	Stephen Mongillo	Michael Freda
Killingworth	Jamie Mowat Young	Sunny Lakshminarayanan
Madison	Jason Engelhardt(R)	Rochelle Kowalski
New Haven	Naomi Campbell	Prem Singh
North Branford	Peter DeSantis(R)	Elizabeth Calo(R)
North Haven	James X. DiCarlo	Jim Hill(R)
Orange	Jasper J. Jaser(R)	Victor Benni
Prospect	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.	
West Haven	T. Gregory Malloy	**Harris Beach Murtha Cullina**
Woodbridge	Mark Levine	Bruce McDermott, Esq.
Governor's Rep	Vincent M. Marino	
Absent		
Milford	Meghan Doyle	**Office of Consumer Affairs**
Seymour	Vacant	Jeffrey M. Donofrio, Esq.
		Staff
		Jennifer Slubowski

Call to Order

Chair Harvey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Safety Moment

Chair Harvey reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

Public Comment

Chair Harvey offered the opportunity for members of the public to comment. No members of the public were present at the meeting.

Minutes

On motion made by Mr. Malloy and seconded by Mr. Marino, the RPB approved the minutes of its September 24, 2026 meeting as distributed, with 90 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Vacant
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Communications

Chair Harvey stated that the presentation of the 10-Year Model would take place at the Finance Committee on November 9, 2026, at 5:00 pm and the Consumer Affairs Committee meeting on November 16, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. All members are invited to attend either or both meetings.

Chair Harvey reported that the Quarterly Dashboard Report was distributed to members in the meeting package.

Mr. Havrda, Chair of the RPB Nominating Committee for Authority member, provided an overview of his memorandum to the RPB, dated October 1, attached hereto, and made a part hereof.

He moved for approval of the following resolution:

> **RESOLVED**, that David Borowy, be and hereby is, reappointed as a member of the Authority of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, effective for the term beginning January 1, 2027, with his term to extend until January 1, 2032, or until his successor is appointed and has qualified.

Mr. Levine seconded the resolution. The Chair called for the vote and the resolution was approved with 90 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Vacant
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Mr. Mongillo moved for adoption of the following resolutions:

> **RESOLVED**, that based on the recommendation of its Consumer Affairs Committee, the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District hereby approves a rate adjustment to the agreement with Attorney Jeffrey Donofrio, of Ciulla & Donofrio, LLP, the RWA's Office of Consumer Affairs (OCA), to increase the OCA's hourly rate from $300 per hour to $400 per hour, effective immediately.

Ms. Allard, RPB Cheshire representative and Consumer Affairs Committee member, commented on the OCA's high level of advocacy for consumers of the RWA district and the legal services provided to the RWA. She noted her concern about the proposed increase as it was at the low end of the prevailing rate, as provided by management.

Atty. Marino, the RPB's Governor's representative, commented that the proposed rate increase is consistent with the prevailing rate charged by municipal attorneys, who are generally paid less than attorneys serving the private sector. He stated he was in favor of the proposed increase.

Following discussion Mr. Malloy seconded the motion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 90 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Vacant
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

On motion made by Mr. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Marino, the RPB approved its third quarter 2026 member compensation, substantially in the form submitted to the meeting, with 90 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Vacant
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Marino, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met on October 5, 2026, with the RWA's external auditor to receive a fiscal year-end review of the audited financial statements. The committee also met with management for a review the first quarter fiscal year 2027 quarterly financial statements and the dashboard metrics.

The next meeting is on Monday, November 9, 2026, via hybrid.

Land Use Committee – Mr. Levine, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the week. He stated that the Committee met at Lake Saltonstall in Branford for its annual pizza dinner. The committee received updates from two new RWA Police Sargent's on RWA's facilities and recreation areas and Land Updates from management on RWA owned properties.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, November 18, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., via hybrid.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Ms. Campbell, Chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee, reported on the Committee meeting that took place last month. The Committee met with management to receive an update on the new RWA payment plan system and UMAX process for accounts receivable. Atty. Donofrio, Office of Consumer Affairs ("OCA"), also provided an update on consumer matters. A copy of the finalized charter was distributed to RPB members for review. The Committee also received a report of the OCA regarding two consumer issues.

Next, Ms. Campbell reported on the Consumer Affairs Committee meeting earlier in the week. The Committee met to with the OCA for an update on consumer escalations and the Committee also met to review and approve data related to the OCA's rate increase.

The next meeting is on Monday, November 16, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. via hybrid.

Executive Committee – Mr. Harvey, Chair of the Executive Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met with Authority Chair, Mr. Borowy and RWA Chief Executive Officer, Mike Freda, for an update on the first meeting of the Aquarion Regional Water District RPB meeting earlier in the week. The Committee also discussed the OCA's hourly rate increase.

Authority/Management – Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, expressed his appreciation to the OCA for the work he does for RWA customers and the organization. He also thanked the RPB for approving his reappointment for another term.

Mr. Borowy reported on the Authority meeting earlier in the day. The board reviewed the Ten-Year Model with management, which will be presented to the RPB Finance and Consumer Affairs Committees at the November meetings. The Authority also met as the Pension & Benefit Committee.

Ms. LaMarr, Chair of the Pension and Benefit Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the day. She stated that the Committee met with representatives from Morgan Stanley to review the RWA's Investment Policy and quarterly investment performance for the pension plans and Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association (VEBA) plan. Ms. LaMarr also gave special thanks to RWA management for the milestone in fully funding the RWA's Pension Plan. However, there is still more work to be done.

At 7:02 p.m., Ms. Verderame withdrew from the meeting.

Mr. Lakshminarayanan, RWA President, thanked the OCA and noted his value to the organization.

He reviewed revenues, and operating and maintenance expenses for the period ending September 30, 2026, and stated that the projected maintenance test for FY 2027 is 118%, with no draw from the Rate Stabilization Fund. This is primarily due to the June refinancing, the higher interest rate environment, and the timing of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Financing, partially offset by the timing of cash payments between 2026 and 2027.

He reported that storage levels as of October 19, 2026 are at 87%, compared to the long-term average of 67%. Rainfall through October 18, 2026 totaled 29.51 inches, 12.10 inches higher than the long-term average of 17.41 inches.

Chair Harvey recognized Atty. Donofrio, OCA, who thanked the RPB members for approving the hourly rate increase. He reviewed his responsibilities in support of both RWA and AWA matters and noted that the increase reflects additional time commitments and reallocation of his time, longer meetings, rising business and cost-of-living expenses, and increased insurance costs, including cyber related coverage. Atty. Donofrio stated that the additional funds would help offset operating expenses and expressed his appreciation for the members' support and comments.

Chair Harvey reminded members to submit mileage forms to RPB Treasurer, Mr. Malloy.

At 7:15 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Eitzer and seconded by Mr. Malloy, the RPB voted to adjourn the meeting, with 84 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Vacant
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Respectfully submitted,

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Jamie Mowat Young, Secretary

Attachment:

1. Memorandum dated October 1, 2026 re recommendation for reappointment of David Borowy to the Authority.

(R) = Attended remotely.