

Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

November 20, 2025

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”) of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, November 20, 2025, at the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut, and via remote access. Chair Harvey presided.

PRESENT

RPB

Beacon Falls	Peter Betkoski(R)
Bethany	Brian Eitzer(R)
Branford	Carolyn Mancini
Cheshire	Deena Allard
East Haven	Michelle Verderame(R)
Guilford	Charles Havrda
Hamden	Stephen Mongillo
Killingworth	Jamie Mowat Young(R)
Madison	Joseph A. Oslander
New Haven	Naomi Campbell
North Branford	Peter DeSantis(R)
North Haven	James X. DiCarlo
Orange	Jasper J. Jaser(R)
Prospect	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Seymour	Beth Nesteriak
West Haven	T. Gregory Malloy
Woodbridge	Mark Levine
Governor’s Rep	Vincent M. Marino(R)

Absent

Ansonia	Absent
Derby	Absent
Milford	Absent

Regional Water Authority

David Borowy
Todd Cort
Kevin Curseaden(R)
Catherine E. LaMarr
Mario Ricozzi
Suzanne Sack(R)

Management

Sunny Lakshminarayanan
Rochelle Kowalski
Prem Singh
Elizabeth Calo(R)
Jim Hill
Tara Augur(R)
Victor Benni
Orville Kelly

Harris Beach Murtha Cullina

Bruce McDermott(R)

Office of Consumer Affairs

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 Ms. Campbell, the RPB approved the minutes of its October 23, 2025 meeting as distributed, with 85 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Absent	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)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Communications

Chair Harvey noted that Ethics and Gift/Profit Disclosure Reports for the period ended November 30, 2025 were distributed to members.

Mr. Havrda, Chair of the RPB Nominating Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met on November 6, 2025, to review the Criteria to Be Utilized in Recommending Appointment of a Candidate to the Authority (“Criteria”) and voted to approve the Criteria with no changes. The Committee also met with the incumbent Authority member, Ms. LaMarr to discuss her interest in continuing to serve. After the meeting, it was the consensus of the Committee that Ms. LaMarr was an excellent addition to the Authority and the Committee voted unanimously to reappoint her for another five-year term.

Committee members discussed the process for New Haven representative Authority member. Mr. Havrda stated that the City of New Haven recommended Ms. LaMarr for reappointment and did not offer any other candidates for consideration, they also confirmed by written communication that they the City of New Haven would waive the requirement of submitting a list of at least three individuals for consideration.

After discussion, Mr. Havrda moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Catherine E. LaMarr, 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, 2026, with her term to extend until January 1, 2031, or until her successor is appointed and has qualified.

Mr. Malloy seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved with 85 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Absent	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)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Ms. Young moved for approval of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that the proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”), with respect to the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority’s (“RWA”) application for approval of the Application for the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project (“Application”), which copy is attached hereto, be and hereby is, approved in the form submitted to the meeting; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the RPB hereby approves the Application and authorizes the RWA’s Interim President & Chief Executive Officer, and the Vice President of Engineering and Environmental Services, to take any and all actions to complete the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project in North Branford, Connecticut

Mr. DiCarlo seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 85 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Absent	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)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Ms. Young moved for approval of the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (the “Authority”) proposes to issue its Bonds which may be issued as Project Loan Obligations delivered to the State of Connecticut (the “Bonds”) in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, of the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut (the “Act”) and the Water System Revenue Bond Resolution, General Bond Resolution, adopted by the Authority and approved by the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District (the “RPB”) on July 31, 1980, as amended and supplemented (the “General Bond Resolution”); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Authority to issue its bonds from time to time but subject to the approval of the RPB.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The RPB hereby approves the issuance of the Authority’s Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Eleven Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$11,200,000).
2. The Bonds may be issued as obligations in one or more series pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and a supplemental resolution to be adopted by the Authority for each series of Bonds, each of which shall specify the amount of the Bonds, the purposes for which the Bonds are to be issued, the date or dates, maturities, sinking fund installments if any, interest rates, series, denominations, form, redemption prices, security provisions and such other details of the Bonds as the Authority shall determine in accordance with the limits established by the General Bond Resolution and hereby.
3. The purposes of the Bonds shall be (I) to finance or refinance the cost of certain capital improvements to the water system of the Authority including the replacement of the North Branford Water Storage Tank (II) to provide funds for deposit to the Capital Contingency Fund and the Debt Reserve Fund, as necessary pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and as permitted by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and (III) to pay costs of issuance (the “Project”).
4. The Bonds may be sold by negotiation as serial or term bonds with stated maturities and may be sold in a private or direct placement to a bank or the State of Connecticut.

Mr. Malloy seconded the motion and the RPB approved the resolutions, with 85 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Absent	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

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Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Chair Harvey reported that the proposed regular meeting date schedule for 2026 was distributed to members. After discussion, it was the consensus of the RPB to approve the 2026 regular meeting dates, as presented.

Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Marino, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met with management to review the Ten-Year Model. Details can be found in the minutes.

The next meeting is on December 8, 2025 at 5:00 pm, via hybrid.

Land Use Committee – Mr. Levine, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the week. The Committee met with management to receive an update on the West River Stream watershed and RWA owned land updates.

The next meeting is on December 10, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., via hybrid.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Ms. Campbell, Chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the week. The Committee met with management to review the Ten-Year Model, and the OCA provided his report on consumer matters.

The next meeting is on December 15, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., via hybrid.

Nominating Committee – Mr. Havrda, Chair of the Nominating Committee, had nothing further to report.

Bylaws and Rules Review Committee – Ms. Mancini, Chair of the Bylaws and Rules Review Committee, reported on the Committee meeting last month. The Committee met to discuss the process for changes to the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice, as related to enabling legislation changes.

The Committee also met earlier in the month with management to review the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice for proposed changes. Draft documents with proposed changes will be shared for review by the Committee at its next meeting on Monday, November 24, 2025.

Authority/Management – Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, thanked the RPB for Ms. LaMarr’s reappointment and approval of the North Branford Tank Project. He stated that at the Authority meeting earlier in the day, the Authority also met as the Strategic Planning Committee.

Ms. Sack, Chair of the Authority’s Strategic Planning Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the day. The Committee met to review data, discuss trends and implications and the next steps to develop a strategic plan at the board level. The Committee will meet again in January.

Mr. Borowy stated that at the Authority meeting earlier in the day, the Authority also met as the Environmental, Health & Safety Committee.

Mr. Ricozzi, Chair of the Authority’s Environmental, Health & Safety Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the day. The Committee received a HazWaste update, Lead and Copper Rule update, and a Workforce update.

Mr. Lakshminarayanan, the RWA’s Interim President & Chief Executive Officer, reported that the RWA’s Annual Report is complete.

He also reported on a soft launch of the website for the Larry Bingaman – RWA Foundation, a memorial foundation to honor the legacy, values and community spirit of the organization’s immediate past President and CEO.

Mr. Lakshminarayanan, reviewed revenues, and operating and maintenance expenses for the period ending October 31, 2025, and stated that the projected maintenance test for FY 2026 is 123%, with no draw from the Rate Stabilization Fund. This is primarily due to the higher interest rate environment, timing of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund financing, and the catch-up in payments (e.g., in autopay), previously disrupted by the CIS transition, is positively influencing FY 2026.

He reported that storage levels are at 62%, compared to the long-term average of 66%. Rainfall is at 12.54 inches, 8.59 lower than the long-term average.

Mr. Borowy stated that as a result of PURA’s decision for the Aquarion transaction, the Authority would be reviewing the decision. He also stated the Authority would be holding a special meeting in December to meet with management to continue to review the decision, discuss actions moving forward, and develop a list of lessons learned, etc. More information will be shared with the RPB when the Authority has had the opportunity to assess the information in more detail.

Chair Harvey acknowledged Atty. Donofrio, OCA, who wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Chair Harvey stated that he is looking for a volunteer to accompany new RPB members to orientation meetings, tours, etc. Members interested should contact him.

RPB members discussed the RPB orientation process, including more information on past RPB decisions and a governance overview as part of the process. Chair Harvey stated that he would look into a Freedom of Information update. Members should contact the board office with any other suggestions or topics of interest.

At 7:20 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Levine and seconded by Mr. Malloy, the RPB voted to adjourn the meeting, with 85 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Absent	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
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Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Mowat Young, Secretary

(R) = Attended remotely.