

**South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority
Minutes of the July 29, 2025 Special Meeting**

The special meeting of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (“RWA” or “Authority”) took place on Tuesday, July 29, 2025, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut, and via remote access. Chair Borowy presided.

Present: Authority – Messrs. Borowy and Ricozzi, and Ms. LaMarr and Sack
Management – Ms. Calo
RPB – Mr. Mongillo
Staff – Ms. Augur

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

1.1 SAFETY MOMENT

He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Borowy offered the opportunity for members of the public to comment. There were no members of the public present.

3. MEET AS PENSION & BENEFIT COMMITTEE

At 12:31 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Ricozzi and seconded by Mr. Borowy, the Authority voted to recess the regular meeting to meet as the Strategic Planning Committee.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Absent

At 1:30 p.m., the Authority reconvened.

4. ACT ON MATTERS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETING

There were no actions resulting from the Pension & Benefit Committee meeting.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion made by Ms. LaMarr and seconded by Mr. Ricozzi, the Authority voted to approve, adopt, or receive, as appropriate, the following items in the amended Consent Agenda, as discussed:

5.1 Minutes of the June 26, 2025 meeting, as amended.

5.2 Capital budget authorization for August 2025

RESOLVED, that the Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Head of Corporate Development is authorized to submit to the Trustee one or more requisitions in an aggregate amount

not to exceed \$4,500,000 for the month of August 2025 for transfer from the Construction Fund for capital expenditures. Each such requisition shall contain or be accompanied by a certificate identifying such requisition and stating that the amount to be withdrawn pursuant to such requisition is a proper charge to the Construction Fund. Such requisitions are approved notwithstanding the fact that amounts to be withdrawn for a particular project may exceed the amount indicated for such month and year in the current Capital Improvement Budget but will not cause the aggregate amount budgeted for Fiscal Year 2026 for all Capital Improvement Projects to be exceeded. In the absence of the Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Head of Corporate Development, the Controller is authorized to sign in her place.

5.3 Monthly Financial Report for June 2025.

5.4 Accounts Receivable Update for June 2025.

5.5 Interim CEO FY 2026 Strategic Priorities.

5.6 RWAY/CIS Update.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Absent

6. RPB COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

Authority members reported on recent Representative Policy Board committee meetings.

At 1:45 p.m., Ms. Sack entered the meeting. It was the consensus of the Authority to move item 9, *Review Criteria for Strategic Planning Consultant*, to Item 7 for discussion.

7. REVIEW CRITERIA FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTANT

Ms. Sack led a discussion on the RWA's strategic planning and organizational alignment and future initiatives, which included:

- Succession and strategic planning overview
- Key points of board-level strategic plan and operational plan alignment
- Strategic plan deliverables and framework
- Trust building and cultural alignment
- Transparency and dashboard communications
- Consultant Selection Criteria

Authority members discussed next steps including, preparing criteria for consultant selection based on agreed framework, coordinate a special meeting with management for a debrief, refine the process for selection interviews with consultants before August meeting, and consultant interviews.

At 2:30 p.m., Ms. Sack withdrew from the meeting.

8. BUSINESS UPDATES

8.1 MONTHLY BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

Chair Borowy noted that Mr. Lakshminarayanan, the RWA's Interim President & Chief Executive Officer, was unable to attend the meeting but would answer questions at the next meeting.

8.2 AWA UPDATE

There were no AWA updates due to the absence of Mr. Lakshminarayanan and Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Head of Corporate Development. AWA updates will take place at a special meeting in August.

9. APPLICATION – NORTH BRANFORD TANK

At 2:33 p.m., Mr. Mongillo withdrew from the meeting and Mr. Benni, the RWA's Director of Engineering, and Mr. Savoy, the RWA's Sr. Project Engineer, entered the meeting. On motion made by Ms. LaMarr, and seconded by Mr. Ricoszi, the Authority voted to convene in executive session pursuant to C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E), to discuss matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(19)(i)(ii), pertaining to security risk. Present in executive session were Authority members, Messrs. Benni and Savoy, and Mss. Calo and Augur.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricoszi	Aye
Sack	Absent

At 2:48 p.m., the Authority came out of executive session. No votes were taken in, or as a result of executive session. Messrs. Benni and Kelly withdrew from the meeting.

After discussion, Mr. Ricoszi moved for approval of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED that the Authority hereby accepts the new Application, dated July 29, 2025, for a Application for Approval to the Representative Policy Board for the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project, located in North Branford, Connecticut, as a completed Application, substantially in the form submitted to this meeting, and authorizes filing said Application with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB"); and

FURTHER RESOLVED, if approved by the RPB, the interim President and CEO, and the Vice President of Engineering and Environmental Services is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to complete the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project in North Branford, Connecticut.

Ms. LaMarr seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricoszi	Aye
Sack	Absent

At 2:59 p.m., on motion made by Ms. LaMarr, and seconded by Mr. Ricoszi, the Authority voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Borowy	Aye
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Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Absent

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. LaMarr, Secretary

(R) = Attended Remotely.

UNAPPROVED