Representative Policy Board Executive Committee South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

MINUTES

Special Meeting of Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., via remote access

Attendance:Committee Members – Mario Ricozzi, Bob Harvey, Charles Havrda, Jay Jaser,
Peter Betkoski, Stephen Mongillo, and Tim SlocumFMA – David BorowyRWA – Larry Bingaman, Rochelle Kowalski and Dennis Donovan
OCA - Jeffrey Donofrio, Esquire
RPB Staff: Jennifer Slubowski

Chair Ricozzi called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

On motion made by Mr. Mongillo, seconded by Mr. Slocum, and unanimously carried, the committee voted to approve the minutes of its March 2, 2021 meeting, as revised.

At 5:04 p.m., Mr. Havrda entered the meeting.

At 5:06 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Mongillo, and unanimously carried, the committee voted to go into executive session to discuss business strategy. Present in executive session were committee members, Messrs. Bingaman, Borowy, Donofrio, Donovan and Mss. Kowalski and Slubowski.

At 6:19 p.m., the committee came out of executive session and Mr. Donovan withdrew from the meeting.

The committee discussed recently approved legislation requirements, which allow for remote meetings until April 30, 2022. Committee members discussed in-person meetings and noted new meeting trends such as hybrid meetings, technology required, and specific requirements to allow members of the public to attend.

Mr. Bingaman reported on the mask mandate currently in effect in the City of New Haven. The RWA continues to follows the mandate under the direction of the city, which would require board members to wear masks when attending meetings inside of the building.

Chair Ricozzi will work with the board administrator to finalize details of a possible hybrid meeting in the future.

At 6:25 p.m., Attorney Donofrio withdrew from the meeting.

Chair Ricozzi reported on upcoming capital projects and topics that the RPB will address in the future. He asked committee members for suggestions that they would like included upcoming agendas.

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Members discussed topics and/or updates related to PFAS updates, solar panel technology, capturing and reusing water, and draft decrease.

Chair Ricozzi asked members for their preference of the delivery of RPB monthly meeting materials. It was the consensus of the committee to continue receiving meeting packages via email with the option to receive hard copies depending on the number of documents.

At 6:43 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Mario Ricozzi, Chairman