# Representative Policy Board

South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

October 23, 2025

# **MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, October 23, 2025, 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(R)	Kevin Curseaden(R)
Bethany	Brian Eitzer(R)	Mario Ricozzi
Branford	Carolyn Mancini(R)	Suzanne Sack(R)
Cheshire	Deena Allard	
East Haven	Michelle Verderame(R)	Management
Guilford	Charles Havrda	Sunny Lakshminarayanan
Hamden	Stephen Mongillo	Rochelle Kowalski
Killingworth	Jamie Mowat Young	Prem Singh(R)
Madison	Joseph A. Oslander	Elizabeth Calo(R)
New Haven	Naomi Campbell	Jim Hill(R)
North Branford	Peter DeSantis(R)	Victor Benni(R)
North Haven	James X. DiCarlo(R)	Orville Kelly(R)
Orange	Jasper J. Jaser(R)	
Prospect	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.	Harris Beach Murtha Cullina
Seymour	Beth Nesteriak	Raquel Herrera-Soto
West Haven	T. Gregory Malloy	
Woodbridge	Mark Levine(R)	
Governor's Rep	Vincent M. Marino	
Absent		

Derby	Vacant	Office of Consumer Affairs
Milford	Richard Smith	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. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Malloy, the RPB approved the minutes of its September 25, 2025 meeting as distributed, with 85 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Absent	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Absent
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)	Vacant	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

#### **Communications**

Chair Harvey reported that Criteria to be Utilized in Recommending a Member to the Authority ("Criteria") was distributed by the RPB Nominating Committee to RPB members for review and comment. Members should direct any comments to Mr. Havrda, the Nominating Committee Chair, or the board office.

Chair Harvey stated that the presentation of the 10-Year Model would take place at the Finance Committee on November 10, 2025, at 5:00 pm and the Consumer Affairs Committee meeting on November 17, 2025, 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.

At 6:34 p.m., Mr. Betkoski entered the meeting.

Ms. Campbell, Chair of the RPB Nominating Committee for Authority member, read the following resolution.

**RESOLVED**, that Todd Cort, be and hereby is, appointed as a member of the Authority of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, effective for the term beginning November 1, 2025, with an initial term to extend until January 1, 2028, or until his successor is appointed and has qualified.

On motion made by Mr. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Malloy, the resolution was approved with 85 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)	Absent
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)	Vacant	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Mr. Mongillo commented on the high level of candidates that applied for the Authority member position.

Ms. Campbell introduced Mr. Cort, the new Authority member, effective November 1, 2025, who entered the meeting. RPB members congratulated Mr. Cort on his appointment.

Mr. Mongillo moved for adoption 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 the disposition of 233 Skiff Street, Hamden, Connecticut ("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 ("CEO") to execute all necessary documents to finalize the transaction.

Ms. Young 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)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Absent
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)	Vacant	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

At 6:38 p.m., Mr. Jaser entered the meeting.

On motion made by Mr. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Mongillo, the RPB approved its third quarter 2025 member compensation, substantially in the form submitted to the meeting, with 88 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Nay	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)	Vacant	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 6, 2025, 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 2026 quarterly financial statements and the dashboard metrics.

The next meeting is on Monday, November 10, 2025, 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 the Police Captain on improvements at RWA's facilities and recreation areas.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., via hybrid.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Mr. Mongillo reported on the Committee meeting that took place earlier in the week. The Committee met with management to review and revise the Committee Charter. 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.

The next meeting is on Monday, November 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. via hybrid.

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**Executive Committee** – Mr. Harvey, Chair of the Executive Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met with management in executive session for an AWA update and reviewed the FY 2026 application schedule. The Committee also met with Authority chair, David Borowy, to review the details of the Larry L. Bingaman Foundation.

He also reported on a special meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met in executive session with the Authority's Strategic Planning Consultant to discuss the board level strategic plan.

Nominating Committee – Mr. Havrda, Chair of the RPB Nominating Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met on October 16, 2025, to discuss the process and reappointment of the Authority's New Haven representative. He stated that details can be found in the minutes. He also noted that the Committee reviewed the criteria and made no changes since it was revised on August 6, 2025. A copy was distributed to the RPB members for review and comment.

The next meeting is on Thursday, November 6, 2025, to discuss the candidate for recommendation to the RPB in November.

**Authority/Management** – Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, reported on the Authority meeting earlier in the day.

Mr. Borowy stated that the Authority met as the Pension & Benefit Committee. He reported that the Pension & Benefit Committee met with representatives from Morgan Stanley to review the RWA's quarterly investment performance for the pension plans and Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association (VEBA) plan and discussed market commentary as well as performance of the plans over time. He also reported that the Authority met with management to review the 10-Year Model and various scenarios, which will be presented to the RPB Finance Committee and Consumer Affairs Committee at the November meetings.

Mr. Borowy stated that at the Authority meeting earlier in the day, the Authority also met as the Compensation Committee.

Mr. Curseaden, Chair of the Compensation Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the day. He stated that the Committee met in executive session to evaluate the CEO's FY 2025 performance. The Committee's consensus was that Mr. Lakshminarayanan is performing well and they thanked him for his leadership.

Mr. Lakshminarayanan, reviewed revenues, and operating and maintenance expenses for the period ending September 30, 2025, and stated that the projected maintenance test for FY 2026 is 121%, with no draw from the Rate Stabilization Fund. This is primarily due to the high 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 65%, compared to the long-term average of 67%. Rainfall is at 8.17 inches, 9.49 lower than the long-term average of 17.66 inches.

Chair Harvey acknowledged Atty. Donofrio, OCA, who stated his appreciation to the RPB Nominating Committee for its diligence in the Authority member interview and selection process. He appreciates the hard work completed by the Committee.

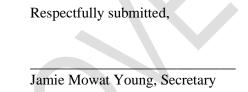
Mr. Harvey reminded RPB members that the meetings in November and December are one week earlier due to the holidays. The meetings will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2025, and December 18, 2025.

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He also stated that RPB mileage for the third quarter 2025 is due and should be submitted to the board office by Monday, October 27, 2025.

At 6:59 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Mongillo and seconded by Ms. Campbell, the RPB voted to adjourn the meeting, with 88 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Nay	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
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East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye



## Attachment:

- 1. Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Final Decision for the disposition of 233 Skiff Street, Hamden, Connecticut
- (R) = Attended remotely.