



Regional Brownfields Partnership of West Central Connecticut

c/o Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments
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RBP Annual Meeting 11:30am Wednesday, September 12, 2018

NVCOG Conference Room
49 Leavenworth Street, Third Floor
Waterbury, CT 06702

Dial-in: 203.489.0355
Conference Code: 006099#

RECORD OF MEETING

Attendance

Municipal Appointed Representatives (Quorum Present): Andrew Baklik, Roy Cavanaugh, Christopher Edge, Paul Grimmer, Mayor Hess, Margus Laan, Dawn Leger, First Selectman Ed Mone, Sheila O'Malley, Christal Preszler, Ron Pugliese, Bill Purcell, Steve Sadlowski, Erin Wilson, Jim Nardozi

General Membership: Jim Byrne (U.S. EPA Region 1), Deputy Commissioner David Kooris (CTDECD), Binu Chandy (CTDECD), Mark Lewis (CTDEEP), Kevin Taylor (NHSW), Christopher Carlson, Tim Carr, Del Cummings, Adam Duskocy, George Gurney, Sam Haydock, Bill Heiple, John Insall, David Krechevsky, Jessica Levay, Neil Thurber, Rick Dunne, Arthur Bogen, Max Tanguay-Colucci

I. Welcoming Remarks

Roy Cavanaugh, RBP Chair welcomed all attendants. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Rick Dunne, Executive Director introduced Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development Deputy Commissioner David Kooris.

II. Featured Session - CT DECD Deputy Commissioner David Kooris

Deputy Commission David Kooris discussed the important of reusing brownfield sites in Connecticut. He commented on legacy neighborhood centers across the Partnership, noting their unique historic and cultural assets. Kooris described the string of density from Shelton to Waterbury as a linear city served by Metro North's Waterbury Branch line. Finding ways to reuse brownfield properties will unlock the area's full potential.

III. Business Portion

i. Approval of Minutes of the October 23, 2017 RBP Annual Meeting

Motion by Sheila O'Malley, seconded by Mayor Hess, it was unanimous



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ii. RBP Elections

The Chair noted the Nominating Committee received nominations for Roy Cavanaugh, Chair, Sheila O'Malley, Vice-Chair, and Ron Pugliese, Treasurer/Secretary. Ron Pugliese rescinded his nomination and nominated Jim Nardoizzi for Treasurer/Secretary.

On a motion by Mayor Hess, seconded by Erin Wilson, it was unanimously

VOTED: to elect Roy Cavanaugh Chair, Sheila O'Malley Vice-Chair, and Jim Nardoizzi Treasurer/Secretary.

NVCOG Executive Director Rick Dunne requested the Committee consider review of the RBP Operating Procedures to expand representation on the RBP Executive Board to reflect a greater number and diversity of RBP municipalities.

iii. RBP Annual Update

NVCOG Regional Planner Max Tanguay-Colucci presented noteworthy projects and upcoming opportunities for funding. Of note, the NVCOG was awarded a \$60,000 BAR grant on behalf of the Town of Thomaston to study the East Main Street riverfront area. The NVCOG is awaiting final verification on the site at 251 Roosevelt Drive, Derby where a \$85,000 CTDECD assessment grant allowed staff to draft an Abandoned Brownfield Cleanup liability relief request and to conduct a Phase II assessment. The activities supported property transfer and reuse of a portion of the property for the BAD SONS Beer Company. The NVCOG currently has assessment and remediation funding available through EPA.

iv. CT Brownfield Land Bank Update

Connecticut Brownfield Land Bank President Arthur Bogen noted the Land Bank has been authorized as the first brownfield land bank in the state. The CTBLB will be another tool for municipalities to consider in resolving issues of liability and funding on brownfield properties.

v. Other

No further comments.

vi. Adjournment

On a motion by Sheila O'Malley, seconded by Mayor Hess, the meeting adjourned at 12:45pm.