



# NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL of GOVERNMENTS

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## MINUTES

### Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments and

### Central Naugatuck Valley MPO

Hop Brook Lake Recreation Area, West Lawn Shelter  
Naugatuck, CT

11:30 a.m., Friday, July 8, 2016

**NVCOG Representatives:** Rich Dziekan, Alternate, Ansonia; Chris Bielik, First Selectman, Beacon Falls; Len Assard, First Selectman, Bethlehem; Anita Dugatto, Mayor, Derby; Ed St. John, First Selectman, Middlebury; Pete Hess, Mayor, Naugatuck; Joanne Pelton, Alternate, Oxford; Jeff Manville, First Selectman, John Monteleone, Alternate, Southbury; Ed Mone, First Selectman, Thomaston; Neil O’Leary, Mayor, Waterbury; Tom Dunn, Mayor, Wolcott; Bill Butterly, First Selectman, Woodbury.

**Guests/Other:** Commissioner James Redeker, CTDOT; Judy Mancini, City of Waterbury; Kenny Curran, Senator Chris Murphy’s office; Stephanie Podewell, Mackenzie Demac, Congresswoman Elizabeth Esty’s office; Noel Pagan, Mike McCarthy, AECOM; Zach McKeon, Daniel Giungi, CCM; Bob Mezzo, Ion Bank.

**Staff:** Rick Dunne, Mark Nielsen, Aaron Budris, Glenda Prentiss, Trish Bauer, Christian Meyer, John DiCarlo, Max Tanguay-Colucci, Karen Svetz, Ben Muller.

#### 1. **Commencement of Meeting (Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Public Comment)**

Chairman Neil O’Leary called the meeting to order at 11:51 a.m. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the roll was called. There was no public comment. A moment of silence was observed for the police officers wounded or slain in Dallas.

#### 2. **CNVMPPO Activities** (*Voting members for these items are limited to the 15 CEOs in the CNVMPO area*)

##### a. *TIP Amendments (Resolution MPO-2016-05)*

- i. Project No. 0151-0332: Add Funding to Rehabilitate I-84 Bridge over Meadow Street, Waterbury – On a motion by Tom Dunn, seconded by Chris Bielik, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the proposed amendments to the FFY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program as shown in the table in Memorandum 07082016TIP.

#### 3. **Comments from Chairman Neil O’Leary**

Chairman O’Leary provided a brief review of NVCOG’s accomplishments in 2015-16. He noted the new towns were smoothly incorporated with the former COGCVN towns. He noted NVCOG’s facility renovations, progress on brownfields, and securing of state transportation funds for particular praise.

#### 4. **Comments from Commissioner James Redeker**

Commissioner Redeker provided an update from the DOT. He noted that it was a tough budget year for the Department, but that Connecticut is doing better in transportation than other nearby states, that some CTDOT projects are exciting – in particular the expansion of I-84 in Waterbury, which he said will likely be completed on budget and ahead of schedule. He also noted that the investments in the Naugatuck Valley Corridor, in particular the upgrades to the Waterbury Branch line, will greatly improve the ability for local residents to commute to Fairfield County and New York City.

5. **Closing Comments**

Executive Director Rick Dunne provided a brief update on agency activities. He praised the staff for their efforts during the past year and also said it was imperative the MPO re-designation be completed as soon as possible.

6. **Adjournment**

At 12:12 p.m., on a motion by Bill Butterly, seconded by Ed Mone, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by  
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for  
Ken Cockayne  
Secretary