Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Minutes of April 25, 2024 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chairman Harvey presided.

PRESENT

RPB Regional Water Authority Ansonia Thomas P. Clifford, III(R) **David Borowy** Kevin Curseaden(R) Beacon Falls Peter Betkoski Branford Vacant Catherine LaMarr Cheshire **Timothy Slocum** Mario Ricozzi Michelle Verderame(R) East Haven Suzanne Sack(R) Guilford Charles Havrda Stephen Mongillo(R) Hamden Management Jamie Mowat Young Killingworth Larry L. Bingaman Madison Joseph A. Oslander Rochelle Kowalski New Haven Naomi Campbell Elizabeth Calo(R) North Branford Peter DeSantis(R) Adrian Cosma Anthony Rescigno(R) North Haven Jim Hill(R) Jasper J. Jaser Sunny Lakshminarayanan Orange Prospect Robert E. Harvey, Jr. Orville Kelly(R) Seymour Michael H. Horbal(R) Kevin Watsey(R) West Haven T. Gregory Malloy Woodbridge Mark Levine(R) Counsel Governor's Rep Vincent Marino(R) Raquel Herrera-Soto

Absent

Bethany Brian Eitzer
Derby Frank Pepe
Milford Richard Smith

Office of Consumer Affairs

Jeffrey Donofrio

Staff

Jennifer Slubowski

Call to Order

Chair Harvey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Safety Moment

He reviewed the Safety Moment handout distributed to members.

Public Comment

Chair Harvey offered the opportunity for members of the public to comment. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Minutes

On motion made by Mr. Malloy, seconded by Ms. Campbell, and unanimously carried, the RPB approved the minutes of its March 28, 2024 meeting, with 78 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)	Aye

Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Communications

Chair Harvey:

- Stated that several RPB member term expirations are up on June 30, 2024. Letters have been mailed to municipal CEO's.
- Volunteers are needed to serve on the RPB Nominating Committee for RPB officers. If you are interested in serving, please contact Chair Harvey or the board office. Ms. Campbell and Messrs. Malloy and Levine volunteered at the meeting.
- Stated that RPB members have had an opportunity to review the RPB Quarterly Dashboard Report, which was included in the meeting package.

Items for Consideration and Action

Mr. Slocum moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board, attached hereto, with respect to the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's Application for approval to Purchase the Assets of Target Three, dated February 22, 2024, be and hereby is approved in the form submitted to the meeting.

Mr. Malloy seconded the motion. The Chair called for discussion.

Due to the confidential nature of questions, at 6:40 p.m., on motion made by Ms. Young, and seconded by Mr. Slocum, the RPB 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)(5)(B), pertaining to commercial and financial information. Present in executive session were RPB members, Authority members, management, Attys. Donofrio and Herrera-Soto, and Ms. Slubowski. The Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 78 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)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

At 6:45 p.m., the RPB came out of executive session. No votes were taken in, or as a result of executive session.

The Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 68 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Nay	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye

Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Mr. Slocum moved for approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") proposes to issue its Bonds (the "Bonds") in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, of the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut (the "Act") and the Water System Revenue Bond Resolution, General Bond Resolution, adopted by the Authority and approved by the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District (the "RPB") on July 31, 1980, as amended and supplemented (the "General Bond Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Authority to issue its bonds from time to time but subject to the approval of the Representative Policy Board (the "RPB").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The RPB hereby approves the issuance of the Authority's Bonds in an amount which shall not exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) in aggregate principal amount.
- 2. The Bonds may be issued as obligations in one or more series pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and a supplemental resolution to be adopted by the Authority for each series of Bonds, each of which shall specify the amount of the Bonds, the purposes for which the Bonds are to be issued, the date or dates, maturities, sinking fund installments if any, interest rates, series, denominations, form, redemption prices, security provisions and such other details of the Bonds as the Authority shall determine in accordance with the limits established by the General Bond Resolution and hereby.
- 3. The purposes of the Bonds shall be (I) to finance or refinance a portion of the costs of the acquisition of Target Three, (II) to provide funds for deposit to the Capital Contingency Fund and the Debt Reserve Fund, as necessary pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and as permitted by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and (III) to pay costs of issuance (the "Project").
- 4. The Bonds may be sold by negotiation as serial or term bonds with stated maturities and may be sold in a private or direct placement to a bank.

Mr. Jaser seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 68 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Nay	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

On motion made by Mr. Marino, seconded by Mr. Marino, and unanimously carried, the RPB approved its 2024 first quarter RPB member compensation, substantially in the form submitted to the meeting, with 78 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)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Due to time constraints, it was the consensus of the RPB to waive the RPB Committee reports.

Reports

Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, stated that Authority met earlier in the day as the Pension & Benefit Committee.

Ms. LaMarr, Chair of the Pension & Benefit Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the day. The Committee met with RWA's actuary, Angell Pension Group, to discuss the valuation reports, assumptions and associated contribution levels to be used in FY 2025. The Authority approved the assumptions and contributions for next fiscal year as well as an additional fiscal 2024 contribution to the pension plan. The Committee also met with Morgan Stanley to receive its Quarterly Investment Performance update and the Committee reviewed its 2025 Work Plan.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President & Chief Executive Officer, acknowledged Mr. Watsey, the RWA's Director of Public Affairs, who highlighted a citation from the Connecticut General Assembly to the RWA, recognizing the RWA's 175th year of excellence.

Mr. Bingaman reviewed revenues and operating and maintenance expenses for the month ended March 31, 2024, and stated the projected maintenance test for FY 2024 is 123%, with no shortfall.

Mr. Bingaman reported that reservoir levels are at 100% compared to the long-term average of 93%.

At 7:00 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Malloy, and seconded by Ms. Young, the RPB voted to adjourn the meeting, with 78 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)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Jamie Mowat Young, Secretary

Attachments:

- 1. Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board for approval of the Authority's Application for Target Three.
- 2. Target Three Financing Resolution.

(R) = Attended Remotely.