Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

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REVISED AGENDA

Regular Meeting of Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

- I Safety Moment
- Il Public Comment: The time limit granted to each speaker shall be three (3) minutes. Residents and customers may address the Board.
- III Approval of Minutes:
 - A. May 23, 2024 regular meeting
 - B. June 11, 2024 special meeting
- IV Communications
 - A. Fiscal Year 2025 Weighted Vote Computation
 - B. Committee Preferences 2024-2025
 - C. RPB Reappointment update
- V Reports
 - A. Finance Committee
 - B. Land Use Committee
 - C. Consumer Affairs Committee
 - D. Authority/Management Upon 2/3 vote, 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.
- VI Adjourn

**Members of the public may attend the meeting in person or by conference call. To view meeting documents please visit http://tinyurl.com/yyxk7xcs. For questions, contact the board office at 203-401-2515 or by email at jslubowski@rwater.com.

SAFETY MOMENT

YARD CLEANUP TIPS

There are hazards associated with yard cleanups, so take a few minutes to look at these safety tips.

More than 60,000 people are treated in emergency rooms each year for lawn-mower injuries:

- Rake before you mow to prevent any stones and loose debris from launching into the air
- Never operate a mower in your bare feet and avoid wearing loose clothing.
- Never start a mower indoors.
- Refueling your mower, make sure the engine is off and cool. Don't spill gasoline on a hot engine and DON'T SMOKE while pouring gasoline.
- · Never leave your mower unattended.
- Don't use electric mowers on wet grass.

At least 55,000 people each year sustain injuries from trimmers, lawn edgers, pruners and power saws:

- Read the manufacturer's instructions carefully before using the tools.
- Inspect the product for damage and don't use it if there are problems.
- Make sure blade guards are in place on all cutting equipment.
- Don't let tools get wet unless they are labeled "immersible".
- Unplug all tools when not in use.
- Make sure the tool is in the "off" position before you plug it in.
- Wear safety glasses when you are performing tasks when using hand or power tools.
- Use EXTRA CAUTION when working on ladders





Service – Teamwork – Accountability – Respect – Safety



Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Minutes of May 23, 2024 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chair Harvey presided.

PRESENT

RPB
Ansonia Thomas P. Clifford, III(R)
Beacon Falls Peter Betkoski

Bethany Brian Eitzer(R)
Cheshire Timothy Slocum

East Haven Michelle Verderame(R)

Guilford Charles Havrda
Hamden Stephen Mongillo(R)
Killingworth Jamie Mowat Young(R)
Madison Joseph A. Oslander
Milford Richard Smith(R)
New Haven Naomi Campbell
North Haven Anthony Rescigno(R)

Orange Jasper J. Jaser

Prospect Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Seymour Michael H. Horbal(R)
West Haven T. Gregory Malloy
Woodbridge Mark Levine(R)

Absent

Branford Vacant
Derby Frank Pepe
North Branford Peter DeSantis
Governor's Rep Vincent M. Marino

Regional Water Authority

David Borowy Kevin Curseaden(R) Catherine LaMarr Mario Ricozzi

Management

Larry L. Bingaman Rochelle Kowalski Elizabeth Calo(R) Charles DelVecchio

Jim Hill(R)

Sunny Lakshminarayanan(R) Premjith Lakshman Singh(R)

Counsel

Bruce McDermott(R)

Office of Consumer Affairs

Jeffrey Donofrio(R)

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, and seconded by Mr. Slocum, the RPB approved the minutes of its April 25, 2024 meeting, with 77 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)	Abstain	Killingworth (2)	Absent	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Absent	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

Communications

Chair Harvey stated that certain RPB member term expirations are up on June 30, 2024. Members recently reappointed for another three-year term are Messrs. Harvey, Havrda, Levine, Oslander, and Ms. Campbell. Reappointments for Mr. DeSantis, Malloy, Rescigno, Marino and Ms. Verderame are pending. The RPB is still awaiting an appointment to the board from the Town of Branford.

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 of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project, dated January 25, 2024, be and hereby is approved in the form submitted to the meeting.

Mr. Jaser seconded the motion. The Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 82 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)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Absent	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Absent	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

Mr. Slocum moved for approval of the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ('Authority") requested the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") review the Authority's FY 2025 proposed Capital, Operating and Commercial Budgets ("Budgets"); and

WHEREAS, the RPB held workshops on April 8, 2024 and April 15, 2024, at which time management and the Authority presented the proposed Budgets and responded to questions from RPB members; and

WHEREAS, the RPB has a duty to review the Budgets and to comment but has no other statutory obligations or authority.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB wishes to express its appreciation to management and the Authority for the professionalism of their presentation and express its overall support of the FY 2025 proposed Budgets; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPB also agrees with the recommendations contained in the OCA's Budget review letter dated April 22, 2024; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPB consensus regarding the proposed Budgets is that they are reasonable and supported; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPB believes that the Authority's overall financial plan and execution of its long-term plan provide for financial health required to achieve its overall mission of providing high quality water, products, and services to consumers at reasonable prices.

Mr. Malloy seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 82 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)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Absent	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Absent	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

Ms. Havrda, Chair of the RPB Nominating Committee, moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following officers are hereby elected to serve for the year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, or until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified:

Chairperson:	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Vice Chairperson:	Stephen Mongillo
Secretary:	Jamie Mowat Young
Treasurer:	Timothy Slocum

Mr. Malloy seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 82 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)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Absent	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Absent	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Slocum reported on the meeting held earlier in the month. The Committee met to discuss comments to the FY 2025 Budget. The committee also discussed changing the date of its July meeting, but after discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee to keep the date on Tuesday, July 9, 2024. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 10, 2024.

Land Use Committee – Mr. Betkoski, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met at Lake Saltonstall in Branford to receive and update on Oak tree species, receive land updates, and an invasive species update. He commented that his term as Committee chair is up in July, any committee members interested in the position may contact him, Chair Harvey, or the board office.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., with the site to be determined.

At 6:47 p.m., Ms. Mowat Young entered the meeting.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Mr. Levine, Chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee, reported on the Committee meeting last week and received an update from management on an organization-wide training called Delivering Service Excellence. The Committee also received a report from the Office of Consumer Affairs.

Nominating Committee – Mr. Havrda, Chair of the Nominating Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the month to consider RPB officer appointments. He commented that the Committee surveyed the membership of the RPB for interested candidates and did not receive any replies. He also contacted incumbent officers, and all were interested in continuing to serve. The Committee ended up voting to recommend the current slate of officers to the RPB.

Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, congratulated RPB officers on their reappointment and thanked the RPB for its support of the FY 2025 Budget.

He stated that Authority met earlier in the day and also met as the Audit-Risk Committee and the Environmental, Health & Safety Committee.

Ms. LaMarr, Chair of the RWA's Audit-Risk Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the day. She stated that the Committee received a cybersecurity update and a risk management update. The discussions took place in executive session, so she was unable to disclose details. Ms. LaMarr also shared that she reported on a master class she attended given by the National Association of Corporate Directors regarding Technology and Innovation that focused on artificial intelligence. She also reported that the Committee reviewed and approved its FY 2025 work plan.

Mr. Ricozzi, Chair of the RWA's Environmental, Health & Safety Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the day. He stated that the Committee received an update on the recent legislative session and also an update on the RWA's Enterprise Work and Asset Management Roadmap.

He also acknowledged Mr. Lakshminarayanan, the RWA's Vice President of Engineering & Environmental Services, for his new role as chair of the Connecticut Water Works Association. Members of the RPB congratulated Mr. Lakshminarayanan.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President and Chief Executive Officer, thanked members of the RPB for approval of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project application.

He acknowledged Ms. Calo, the RWA's General Manager & Head of Human Resources, who reported on RWA's revised remote work policy that will be effective June 3, 2024. The lobby will also be open to the public.

Mr. Bingaman reviewed revenues, operating and maintenance expenses for the month ended April 30, 2024, and stated the projected maintenance test for FY 2024 is 127%, with no shortfall. Contributing to the higher coverage is interest income due to the higher interest rate climate as well as water revenues being only slightly under budget and other contributing factors.

He also reported that raw water storage levels as of May 20, 2024, were 97%, compared to the long-term average of 94%.

At 7:12 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Malloy, seconded by Mr. Clifford, the RPB voted to adjourn the meeting, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 84 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)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Absent	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

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 the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project.

(R) = Attended Remotely.

Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

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Application for Approval of the Lake

Whitney Water Treatment Plant :

Chemical Improvements Project : May 23, 2024

located in Hamden, Connecticut :

<u>Final Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law</u> <u>of the Representative Policy Board</u>

A. The Applicant's Request

On January 25, 2024, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA" or the "Applicant"), through its five-member Authority, submitted an application for approval of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project located in Hamden, Connecticut ("Application" or "Project"). The Application also includes the replacement of the potassium permanganate and caustic chemical feed systems.

The Water Treatment Plant utilizes potassium permanganate as an oxidant for pretreatment and sodium hydroxide (caustic) for pH control to prevent corrosion and allow for the efficient use of other treatment chemicals. These systems are necessary to deliver a reliable and quality supply of water to the RWA's customers. The original designed potassium permanganate system is not operational, and a temporary system has been constructed to meet the current manganese demands. Improvement is needed to effectively manage higher manganese levels and maintain compliance with regulatory standards.

The existing caustic system was part of the original treatment plant construction. One of the two bulk storage tanks is currently out of service due to a tank failure, which reduces the amount of chemical inventory storage. This then results in partial delivery costs and enhanced concern of the potential of overfilling the caustic bulk tank during chemical deliveries.

The goal of the Project is to improve the reliability of plant operations and improve safety for plant operations.

The proposed Project cost is approximately \$3.1 million and includes a 20% contingency. The Project costs are based on 30% complete design drawings, prepared in November 2023. In accordance with cost-estimating principles, the Project costs have been adjusted for inflation.

The Application for approval of the Project was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.

B. <u>Participants</u>

In addition to the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") and the RWA, the Office of Consumer Affairs ("OCA") participated in this proceeding. The OCA is authorized by Section 15 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended, to act as the advocate for consumer interests in all matters that may affect water customers in the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority District ("District").

C. Statutory Standard

Pursuant to the legislation cited in paragraph A above, the RWA is required to obtain approval from the RPB prior to commencing any Project costing more than two million dollars to repair, improve, construct, reconstruct, enlarge or extend any of its properties or systems.

D. <u>Notice and Procedures</u>

Effective July 1, 2021, Senate Bill 1202, Section 163, permitted the RPB to hold the public hearing on the Application using electronic equipment or technology that facilitates real-time public access to meetings, including, but not limited to, telephonic, video or other conferencing

platforms. Other procedural requirements were also met. On February 22, 2024, the RPB voted unanimously to accept the Application as complete and called a public hearing on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., at the office of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven and via remote access. The RPB designated Jamie Mowat Young (Killingworth) to serve as Presiding Member at the public hearing.

As required by Section 10 of Special Act. No. 77-98, as amended by Public Act No. 02-85, the RPB published in the *New Haven Register* and the *Connecticut Post* the date, time and place of the public hearing to be held by the RPB to consider the Application for approval. The date of publication was April 2, 2024. A copy of this notice was filed with the Office of the Clerk of each city and town within the District. The notice was posted on the RWA's website, including information about electronic participation for the meeting.

The Application also contained confidential information subject to protection under C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E), for matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(19)(i)(ii), pertaining to safety risk.

E. <u>Public Hearing</u>

At the public hearing on April 25, 2024, the Applicant provided sworn testimony from Sunny Lakshminarayanan, the RWA's Vice President of Engineering & Environmental Services, and Orville Kelly, the RWA's Manager of Design and Construction. Mr. Kelly provided a presentation that addressed the Project background, scope, need, alternatives analysis, budget and schedule, permitting, and unusual circumstances.

Members of the RPB asked questions of the Applicant regarding shut down, necessity, initial construction, salvage opportunities, redundancy, resiliency, and life expectancy of upgrades.

The OCA provided a summary of his analysis of the Application as noted in his memorandum to the RPB dated April 18, 2024. Attorney Donofrio concluded that the original

potassium permanganate system has reached the end of its useful life and is no longer operational, leaving the Authority to rely on a temporary system. In addition to experiencing challenges, the structure is now a safety risk. The Application is necessary and appropriate and budget estimates and contingency are reasonable. Overall, the Project is a prudent investment and for the reasons set forth in his memorandum, the OCA recommends approval of the Application.

F. Analysis

After considering all of the evidence presented, the RPB believes that the Application is necessary and advances the policies and goals of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, is included in the five-year plan of capital improvements, and is in the best interest of the RWA and its customers. The presentation at the public hearing reinforced the need for and importance of the Project.

G. <u>Conclusion</u>

We therefore conclude that the Application for approval of the Lake Whitney Water

Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project should be approved. Separately stated findings

of fact and conclusions of law are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Exhibit A

Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Application for Approval of the Lake :

Whitney Water Treatment Plant :

Chemical Improvements Project : May 23, 2024

located in Hamden, Connecticut :

Findings of Fact

- 1. The South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA"), through its five-member Authority, submitted an Application to the RPB for approval of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project, located in Hamden, Connecticut ("Application" or "Project") on January 25, 2024.
- 2. The Project improves reliability and safety by replacing aging chemical feed system and building equipment/components.
- 3. The Project improves consistency with other RWA facilities and safety for RWA staff.
- 4. The Project maintains operations and operating capacity of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant facility, a critical source of potable water for New Haven and surrounding areas.
- 5. The Project is included in the FY 2024 Capital Improvement Project budget. The Project located in Hamden, Connecticut will commence in FY 2024, with completion planned in FY 2025, at a total Project cost of approximately \$3.1 million.
- 6. The proposed Project is consistent with, advances the policies and goals of the RWA, and is in the public interest.
- 7. The OCA recommended approval of the Application.

Conclusions of Law

- 1. The South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's ("RWA") application for approval of the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project located in Hamden, Connecticut ("Application") on January 25, 2024, was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
- 2. Notice of the public hearing to consider the Application and to allow interested persons, including water users and property owners, within the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority District, to be heard was properly made on April 2, 2024, pursuant to Section 10 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
- 3. Pursuant to Sections 10 and 19 of Special Act 77-98, as amended, the public hearing was held on April 25, 2024.
- 4. Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the Representative Policy Board concludes that the RWA's Application meets all requirements for approval.

Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Minutes of June 11, 2024 Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chair Harvey presided.

PRESENT

RPB

Ansonia Thomas P. Clifford, III(R)
Beacon Falls Peter Betkoski(R)
Bethany Brian Eitzer(R)

Cheshire Timothy Slocum

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Counsel

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Office of Consumer Affairs

Jeffrey Donofrio(R)

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.

Vincent M. Marino(R)

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.

Strategic Initiative Discussion

At 6:32 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Malloy, 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, with 80 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Absent	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Absent	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 (10)	Aye	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 6:33 p.m., Messrs. Clifford and Mongillo entered the meeting.

At 7:21 p.m., Atty. Donofrio withdrew from the meeting.

Adjourn

At 7:53 p.m., the RPB came out of executive session. No votes were taken in, or resulting from, executive session. On motion made by Mr. Slocum, and seconded by Mr. Eitzer, the RPB voted to adjourn the meeting, with 93 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)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Vacant	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Aye	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

(R) = Attended Remotely.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Sunny Lakshminarayanan

FROM: Tiffany Lufkin

CC:

SUBJECT: FY 2025 Representative Policy Board Weighted Vote Count

DATE: June 14, 2024

Attached please find the calculations for the Representative Policy Board (RPB) weighted vote count for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025, covering the period from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025. This calculation was performed according to the method prescribed in the enabling legislation of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (Authority). The FY 2025 vote calculations reflect the best available information.

The enabling legislation does not define the total number of votes, therefore, based on the particular spread of population and land, the total number of votes may vary from year to year. The FY 2025 total number of votes has been calculated to be 101.

Included with this memo is the following documentation associated with the vote calculation:

- Summary table of weighted votes per member Town, entitled "Computation of FY 2025 Weighted Votes for the Representative Policy Board", dated June 14, 2024.
- The Real Estate Department's report, entitled "Summary of Land by Town", dated May 31, 2024.
- Summary table of customers per member town, entitled "SAP Number of Customers Supplied", dated June 3, 2024¹.

The individual town votes in FY 2025 compared to FY 2024 will remain the same. Therefore, the total weighted vote count remains at 101. Votes are rounded to the nearest whole number, and the Authority's enabling legislation does not require that each town have a minimum number of votes. Therefore, similar to FY 2024, Beacon Falls will have a weighted vote of zero in FY 2025. In a November 28, 2007 legal opinion, our attorneys, Murtha Cullina LLP, determined that a weighted vote of zero is a possible and allowable outcome of the weighted vote procedure outlined in the enabling legislation.

¹ The number of customers for this vote calculation was obtained by a report from the SAP system for all customers titled "Billing Analysis: Number of Active Water Accounts by Town".

COMPUTATION OF FY 2025 WEIGHTED VOTES FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD June 14, 2024

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
TOWN	VOTES	CUSTOMERS	QUOTIENT	2X	ACRES	QUOTIENT	COLÚMN	COLUMN	COLÚMN	VOTES
	FY 2024	AS OF		QUOTIENT	AS OF	·	4+6	(4+6)/3	(4+6)/3	FY 2025
		5/31/2024			5/31/2024				X 100	
ANSONIA	3	5,459	0.04655	0.09311	96	0.00350	0.09660	0.03220	3.22013	3
BEACON FALLS	0	0	0.00000	0.00000	22	0.00080	0.00080	0.00027	0.02671	0
BETHANY	5	6	0.00005	0.00010	3,947	0.14378	0.14388	0.04796	4.79602	5
BRANFORD	6	8,701	0.07420	0.14840	1,178	0.04291	0.19131	0.06377	6.37709	6
CHESHIRE	4	6,974	0.05947	0.11895	149	0.00543	0.12437	0.04146	4.14580	4
DERBY	2	3,259	0.02779	0.05558	2	0.00007	0.05566	0.01855	1.85524	2
EAST HAVEN	6	8,573	0.07311	0.14622	860	0.03133	0.17755	0.05918	5.91819	6
GUILFORD	4	1	0.00001	0.00002	3,295	0.12003	0.12004	0.04001	4.00149	4
HAMDEN	10	15,111	0.12886	0.25773	1,333	0.04856	0.30629	0.10210	10.20953	10
KILLINGWORTH	2	0	0.00000	0.00000	1,381	0.05031	0.05031	0.01677	1.67687	2
MADISON	6	0	0.00000	0.00000	4,716	0.17179	0.17179	0.05726	5.72636	6
MILFORD	10	18,387	0.15680	0.31360	4	0.00015	0.31375	0.10458	10.45828	10
NEW HAVEN	13	22,825	0.19465	0.38930	24	0.00087	0.39017	0.13006	13.00567	13
NO. BRANFORD	8	1,569	0.01338	0.02676	6,069	0.22108	0.24784	0.08261	8.26124	8
NO. HAVEN	5	8,017	0.06837	0.13674	54	0.00197	0.13870	0.04623	4.62341	5
ORANGE	3	4,083	0.03482	0.06964	580	0.02113	0.09077	0.03026	3.02554	3
PROSPECT	1	0	0.00000	0.00000	866	0.03155	0.03155	0.01052	1.05153	1
SEYMOUR	1	334	0.00285	0.00570	706	0.02572	0.03141	0.01047	1.04714	1
WEST HAVEN	8	13,460	0.11478	0.22957	275	0.01002	0.23959	0.07986	7.98623	8
WOODBRIDGE	3	504	0.00430	0.00860	1,895	0.06903	0.07763	0.02588	2.58752	3
GOV. REP.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	101	117,263	1	2	27,452	1	3	1	100	101

RPB Weighted Vote Calculation SUMMARY OF LAND BY TOWN May 31, 2024

Town	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
ANSONIA	96	96	96	96	96
BEACON FALLS	22	22	22	22	22
BETHANY	3,945	3,945	3,947	3,947	3,947
BRANFORD	1,175	1,175	1,175	1,174	1,178
CHESHIRE	149	149	149	149	149
DERBY	2	2	2	2	2
EAST HAVEN	860	860	860	860	860
GUILFORD	3,295	3,294	3,294	3,295	3,295
HAMDEN	1,322	1,322	1,321	1,321	1,333
KILLINGWORTH	1,377	1,377	1,381	1,381	1,381
MADISON	4,716	4,716	4,716	4,716	4,716
MILFORD	4	4	4	4	4
NEW HAVEN	24	24	24	24	24
NO. BRANFORD	6,069	6,069	6,069	6,069	6,069
NO. HAVEN	54	54	54	54	54
ORANGE	587	587	587	584	580
PROSPECT	822	822	822	866	866
SEYMOUR	708	706	706	706	706
WEST HAVEN	275	275	275	275	275
WOODBRIDGE	1,897	1,897	1,896	1,896	1,895
Total	27,399	27,396	27,400	27,441	27,452

⁽¹⁾ All values in acres. Beginning with the FY17 calculation, land values are based on GIS data. This data continues to be updated as newer and better information is collected on boundaries; therefore the reported total land by town may change although no acquisitions or dispositions have necessarily been made. This data is for informational purposes only.

⁽²⁾ There were two acquisition of land in FY24 in Branford and Hamden. There was one disposition in Hamden.

RPB Weighted Vote Calculation SAP - NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS SUPPLIED⁽¹⁾ June 3, 2024

T	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2024
Town	Customers	Customers	Customers	Customers	Customers
ANSONIA	5,418	5,426	5,427	5,439	5,459
BEACON FALLS					
BETHANY	5	6	6	6	6
BRANFORD	8,622	8,631	8,648	8,669	8,701
CHESHIRE	6,776	6,803	6,830	6,870	6,974
DERBY	3,245	3,240	3,240	3,249	3,259
EAST HAVEN	8,547	8,567	8,565	8,569	8,573
GUILFORD	1	1	1	1	1
HAMDEN	15,061	15,062	15,072	15,078	15,111
KILLINGWORTH					
MADISON					
MILFORD	18,305	18,322	18,340	18,363	18,387
NEW HAVEN	22,665	22,734	22,733	22,716	22,825
NORTH BRANFORD	1,522	1,557	1,568	1,564	1,569
NORTH HAVEN	7,859	7,882	7,928	7,981	8,017
ORANGE	4,004	4,039	4,064	4,072	4,083
PROSPECT					
SEYMOUR	334	333	334	333	334
WEST HAVEN	13,432	13,427	13,424	13,429	13,460
WOODBRIDGE	472	471	478	479	504
Overall Result	116,268	116,501	116,658	116,818	117,263

⁽¹⁾ Beginning in FY17, this calculation uses the SAP Report "Billing Analysis: Number of Active Water Accounts by Town" for the snapshot month of May. This report was chosen to improve consistency in reporting with the Annual Report.

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To: RPB Members

From: Robert E. Harvey, Jr., Chairman

Date: June 21, 2024

Re: Statutory Committee Membership Preference

Next month the RPB chair will assign RPB members to the three statutory committees for the 2024-2025 administrative year (Finance, Land Use, and Consumer Affairs). Please email your first and second choices to Jennifer Slubowski at jslubowski@rwater.com. It would also be helpful to include suggestions for topics or other matters of interest that the RPB, or its standing committees, might consider in the upcoming months.

The newly formed standing committees will elect their chairs at the regular July meetings.

Thank you.