# Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

## Minutes of July 24, 2025 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chair Harvey presided.

## **PRESENT**

RPB Ansonia Thomas P. Clifford, III Beacon Falls Peter Betkoski(R) Carolyn Mancini(R) Branford Cheshire Timothy Slocum Michelle Verderame(R) East Haven Guilford Charles Havrda Hamden Stephen Mongillo Jamie Mowat Young(R) Killingworth Madison Joseph A. Oslander New Haven Naomi Campbell Peter DeSantis(R) North Branford Jasper J. Jaser Orange Prospect Robert E. Harvey, Jr. Seymour Beth Nesteriak West Haven T. Gregory Malloy

**Regional Water Authority** David Borowy

Kevin Curseaden(R) Mario Ricozzi(R)

Management

Sunny Lakshminarayanan(R)

Rochelle Kowalski Prem Singh(R) Jim Hill Victor Benni Jim Hill

Counsel

Raquel Herrera-Soto(R)

**Office of Consumer Affairs** 

Jeffrey Donofrio (R)

Absent Staff

Vincent Marino(R)

Mark Levine(R)

Bethany Brian Eitzer Jennifer Slubowski
Derby Vacant
Milford Richard Smith

James X. DiCarlo

#### Call to Order

North Haven

Woodbridge

Governor's Rep

Chair Harvey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He welcomed Ms. Nesteriak, the RPB's new Seymour Representative.

#### **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 June 26, 2025 regular meeting, with 78 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Absent
Beacon Falls (0)	Absent	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye

Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Abstain
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	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 communicated that he is looking for volunteers for a second Nominating Committee for Authority member. The term of Ms. LaMarr, New Haven representative on the Authority, is expiring on December 31, 2025. The process involves candidates recommended by the Mayor of New Haven. Members interested in volunteering should contact him or the board office.

Chair Harvey reported that committee appointments have been confirmed. Mr. Malloy expressed an interest in joining the Consumer Affairs Committee in addition to his appointment to the Land Use Committee.

Chair Harvey noted that the quarterly dashboard report was distributed to members in the meeting package.

At 6:37 p.m., Mr. Betkoski joined the meeting.

Chair Harvey read 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 approval to construct electrical improvements at the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant and the Lake Salstonstall Water Treatment Plant, dated April 24, 2025 ("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. In the absence of the Interim President & CEO, the RWA's Director of Engineering is authorized to sign in his place.

Mr. Jaser moved for approval of the resolutions, with a second by Mr. Slocum. The chair called for the vote and the RPB vote to approve the resolutions, with 78 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Absent
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Abstain
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	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. Levine moved for approval of the following resolutions:

**WHEREAS**, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, on June 26, 2025, filed an Application with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for the disposition of 233 Skiff Street, located in Hamden, Connecticut ("Application"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Land Use Committee of the Representative Policy Board reviewed the Application and recommended that the Application be accepted by the RPB as complete; and

**WHEREAS**, the Land Use Committee recommended that the public hearing be conducted by a Presiding Member; and

**WHEREAS**, the Land Use Committee proposed a public hearing date of September 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the RPB accepts the Land Use Committee's recommendation to consider the Authority's Application and determined to hold a public hearing, to be conducted by a Presiding Member, on September 25, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., at the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant, 945 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut 06517, and remote access, in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairperson is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules of Practice, as amended.

Mr. Slocum seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved unanimously by the board, with 79 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Absent
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	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

Chair Harvey reported that Mr. Mongillo (Hamden) will act as Presiding Member at the public hearing.

On motion made by Mr. Levine and seconded by Mr. Clifford, the RPB approved its 2025 second quarter RPB member compensation, substantially in the form submitted to the meeting, with 79 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Absent
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	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 RPB Finance Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the month. Committee members elected him as chair for the upcoming year. The Committee also received a year-end financial update from management for the period ended May 31, 2025, reviewed the RPB quarterly dashboard report, and held a discussion on the RWA's auto renewal status.

The next meeting is on Monday, August 11, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., via hybrid.

**Land Use Committee** – Mr. Levine, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the month at the Bis property located at Roaring Brook Falls in Cheshire. Management provided an update related to the acquisition of the Bis property in 2024. The property is being used as open space land. The Committee also voted to reappoint Mr. Levine as Committee chair for the upcoming year.

Mr. Slocum, RPB Cheshire representative, expressed his appreciation to the RWA on its acquisition and use of the land.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in Bethany, Connecticut.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Ms. Campbell, Chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the week. Much of the discussion was held in executive session to receive a recap of the AMI project from management. The OCA, Atty. Donofrio, provided an update on two escalation issues, and the Committee reappointed Ms. Campbell as chair for the upcoming year.

The next meeting is on Monday, August 18, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., via hybrid.

Executive Committee – Mr. Harvey, Chair of the RPB Executive Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the month in executive session to receive a Blue Drop update from management. The Committee also discussed the recently approved FMA stipend, salvageable items, and the possible APT Foundation relocation.

The next meeting is on Thursday, October 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., via hybrid.

Authority/Management - Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, reported that the monthly Authority meeting was rescheduled due to the PURA hearing. The special meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 12:30 pm. The Authority will also be reviewing a tank project application at its meeting.

He stated that the next PURA hearing is scheduled for Monday, July 28th. The RPB will be updated on the at its next meeting.

At 6:55 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Mongillo, the board voted to adjourn the meeting, with 79 votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Absent
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	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

Jamie Mowat Young, Secretary

(R) = Attended remotely.

### Attachments:

1. Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board for the Application to construct electrical improvements at the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant and the Lake Salstonstall Water Treatment Plant.