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South Central Connecticut Regional Water District
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AGENDA

Regular Meeting of Monday, February 10, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

1. Safety Moment
2. Lead Pipe Inventory Update: S. Lakshminarayanan and T. Barger
3. Approval of Minutes of the January 13, 2025 meeting
4. Authority meeting attendance:
 - a. Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 12:30 p.m. – Jamie Mowat Young
 - b. Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 12:30 p.m. – Tim Slocum
 - c. Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 12:30 p.m. – Vin Marino
 - d. Thursday, May 22, 2025 at 12:30 p.m. – Jay Jaser
5. New Business
 - a. FMA Third Party Compensation study discussion moved to May 12, 2025 meeting
6. Next meeting – March 10, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
7. Adjourn

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SAFETY MOMENT

PREVENTING SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALLS

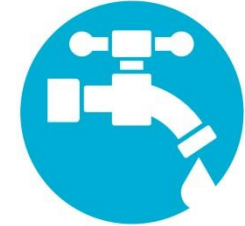
It's probably happened to most of us. That momentary lapse of attention, thinking about a personal problem or distraction by an activity that ends in a slip, trip or fall. A stumble down a stairway. A trip over an uneven surface. Slipping on the ice. It can lead to a variety of regrettable events ranging from a simple bruised shin to an extremely serious injury. It's just one of a number of conditions and situations that set the stage for slips, trips and falls in the workplace or at home.

Here are six guidelines to help you create a safer environment for you, your employees, and at home.

1. Create Good Housekeeping Practices
2. Reduce Wet or Slippery Surfaces
3. Avoid Creating Obstacles in Aisles and Walkways
4. Create and Maintain Proper Lighting
5. Wear Proper Shoes
6. Control Individual Behavior



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Safety**



Regional Water Authority

Service – Teamwork – Accountability – Respect – Safety

Safety is a core company value at the Regional Water Authority .
It is our goal to reduce workplace injuries to zero.

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Via Remote Access**

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Monday, January 13, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Committee Present: Vincent M. Marino(R), Thomas P. Clifford III(R), James X. DiCarlo(R), Jasper J. Jaser, Timothy Slocum(R), Michelle Verderame(R), and Jamie Mowat Young(R)

RPB: Robert E. Harvey, Jr., Naomi Campbell(R), Charles Havrda(R),

FMA: David Borowy(R)

Management: Rochelle Kowalski, Sunny Lakshminarayanan(R), and Jim Hill

OCA: Jeffrey Donofrio, Esq.

Staff: Jennifer Slubowski

Chair Marino called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

On motion made by Mr. Clifford and seconded by Ms. Young, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of its December 9, 2024 meeting.

Committee members held a discussion related to a third party compensation study last done in 2008 for the Five Member Authority (FMA). The committee reviewed and discussed:

- 2008 study
- Historical data
- Value of updating
- Compensation policy
- New study cost

On motion made by Ms. Young and seconded by Mr. Slocum, the Committee voted to add an executive session to the agenda, with Mr. Clifford opposing.

At 5:11 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Slocum and seconded by Mr. DiCarlo, the Committee voted to move into executive session pursuant to C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E) to discuss matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(2), pertaining to personnel, with Mr. Clifford opposing.

At 5:16 p.m., the Committee came out of executive session. After discussion, on motion made by Mr. Slocum and seconded by Mr. Clifford, the Committee voted unanimously to postpone the FMA Compensation Study update discussion for 3 months with no action to be taken before, as discussed in executive session.

Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Head of Corporate Development, reviewed the second quarter 2025 financial report, which included highlights of the:

- Balance sheet
- Income statement

- Maintenance test
- Revenues and expenses
- Operating and maintenance key variances and projections
- Capital budget key items
- Investment earnings report
- Cash basis

The Committee discussed updates related to increases in customers retained for commercial acquisitions. Ms. Kowalski stated that due to timing, an update would be provided when the Committee reviews the FY 2026 Budget with management in April.

Ms. Kowalski reviewed the RPB Dashboard Metrics for the second quarter of FY 2025.

Assignments were made for Authority meetings on:

- February 27 – Ms. Young
- March 27 – Ms. Slocum
- April 24 – Mr. Marino (Ms. Young backup)
- May 22 – Mr. Jaser

There was no new business to report.

The next meeting of the Finance Committee is on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., via hybrid.

At 5:55 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Clifford and seconded by Mr. Slocum, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Vincent M. Marino, Chair

(R) = Attended remotely.

Inventory Development

- Vacuum excavation has been finished all towns; plans are being developed for service line replacement pilot programs.
- RWA has finished the predictive modeling and has submitted the initial inventory to the State by the October deadline. Further development of the Inventory continues.
- RWA has offered on a proactive basis sample collection to those customers where service line replacements are mandatory based on lines being identified as either lead or galvanized iron.
- Training has been provided to Field Service and Cross Connections staff on the use of LeadCast to enable real-time inclusion of service line information; RWA's field construction crews continue to update the field information into LeadCast.

Communication

- RWA promotes awareness through letters, social media, podcasts, participation in discussions organized by the towns.
- Compliance communication continues to be developed and incorporated into multiple efforts

Funding

- RWA submitted and has been approved for funding through DWSRF for engineering and inventory development; the RWA is working on securing significant grant funds for this phase of the LCRR work.
- RWA has submitted for DWSRF funding that will include both grants and loans for replacement of lead service lines (both customer and utility).

Schedule

- RWA will continue refining inventory into FY26 and also will commence replacement of the lead service lines during the latter half of FY25.