

**Connecticut River Estuary Regional Planning Agency  
November 7, 2005**

Attendance:

Chester: Steve Williams  
Clinton:  
Deep River: Bruce Edgerton  
Essex:  
Killingworth: Jere Adametz, Pat Smulders  
Lyme: Ning Rich, Frank Skwarek  
Old Lyme: Jane Marsh  
Old Saybrook: Karen Jo Marcolini  
Westbrook: Bill Neale, Doris Sanstrom  
Staff: Linda Krause, J.H.Torrance Downes, Dorothy Papp, Wini Olson

**I.** The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM by Chairman Bruce Edgerton in the CRERPA meeting space at 455 Boston Post Road, Old Saybrook CT 06475.

**II.** Minutes

Karen Jo Marcolini asked that the words Westbrook and **Old Lyme** be deleted from reference to her comments on “alternative measures”. Pat Smulders moved that the minutes be approved as amended. The motion was seconded by Jere Adametz and unanimously approved.

**III.** Correspondence

Linda Krause circulated a booklet from the Council of Environmental Equality, newsletters from SECOG and CRCOG, a review of the Eight Mile River Study and a clipping about a new land use law passed in Oregon.

It was agreed to alter the agenda and consider referrals so Torrance could be excused.

**IV.** Referrals

Torrance explained that although there is only referral, the handout contains both the Old Saybrook Plan of Conservation and Development but also the amendments to the Act Concerning Planning and Zoning that requires RPOs to review local plans for consistency with the regional and state plans.

Ning Rich moved that the Agency approve the staff findings that the Old Saybrook Plan of Conservation and Development is consistent with both the Regional and State Plans of Development and with the plans of the other eight towns in the Estuary Region. The motion was seconded by Pat Smulders and unanimously approved.

**V. Treasurers Report**

Dorothy Papp distributed copies of the Auditor's Report together with copies of the Treasurers report. She reported that a check arrived from DOT earlier in the day with reimbursement for July, August and September. Dorothy went through the auditor's report, otherwise known as financial Statements and Supplementary Information, page by page. It proved to be readily understandable. The members complimented her on the comment that the auditor found nothing to criticize.

Jane Marsh moved that the Audit be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ning Rich and unanimously approved.

The Agency was pleased to note that a \$6,500 discount was applied to the charge of \$15,000, thereby reducing the bill to \$8,500.

Pat Smulders moved that the Treasurer's report be approved as amended. The motion was seconded by Jere Adametz and unanimously approved.

**VI. Transportation Matters**

There were no transportation matters to come before the Agency.

**VII. Staff Report**

**A. Health Department Estimates**

Linda reported that the population estimates have been received from the State Department of Health.

**B. Pre-tax Deductions**

Two employees include family members on their CRERPA Health Insurance plan. They pay 50% of the extra cost. By having a written plan in place, the 50% payment can be withheld as a pre-tax deduction.

Jane Marsh moved that the attached resolution, enabling the payment to be pre-tax be approved. The motion was seconded by Ning Rich and unanimously approved.

**VIII. Liaisons**

**A. Gateway**

Linda reported that Gateway held a Public Hearing on recognizing the East Haddam Village District as a Gateway Standard. There was one objection- a written statement from Stan Greimann. The Commission has instructed Linda and Chairman Fred Vollono to draft the acceptance.

**B. ETD**

Doris Sanstrom reported that representatives of the ETD will meet November 8 with members of the ECS Estuary Council of Seniors to adopt a plan that will provide more services.

Doris read a Letter to the Editor regarding the DOT and non-union labor.

**IX. Other business**

Linda suggested that the December meeting be preceded by refreshments. It was agreed to meet at 7 PM on December 5.

Bill Neale moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ning Rich. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Neale, Secretary