10:05AM



NOTICE OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: Thursday, September 14, 2023

TIME: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

LOCATION: NEW OFFICE LOCATION: NHCOG Office, 355 Goshen Road (EdAdvance),

Litchfield, CT 06759 (Check in at the front desk)

AGENDA

(Chairman Henry Todd; Vice Chairman Mike Criss; Secretary Charlie Perotti; Treasurer Tom Weik)

10:00 AM Call to Order and Opportunity for Public Comment. **Henry Todd, Chairman.**

Report of the Executive Director, Rob Phillips, NHCOG

- Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Oct 28th at Torrington Water Pollution Control – Bogue Road.
- Bylaws and Personnel Policies and Procedures Executive Committee Work
- 10:15 AM Update on the ARPA Capital Projects Fund-funded Connected Communities Grant Program and the IIJA Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program, **Kevin Pisacich**, **Director of the Office of Telecommunications and Broadband CT DEEP**
- 10:35 AM Updates from the Center for Housing Opportunity-Litchfield County, **Jocelyn Ayer**, **Director**
- 10:45 AM Transportation Planning Update, **Kathryn Faraci, Transportation Director**
 - STIP Amendments Replacement of Retaining Walls on Rt 44 in Norfolk (*Attachment A*)
 - PWEC Update
- 10:50 AM Community and Economic Development Update, **Emily Hultquist, Deputy Director**
 - EDD Designation Update
 - CEDS Process Update
 - Potential authorization for the Executive Director to Enter into a Contract with 1.11 Group for NHCOG Social Media Services in the amount of \$4,930 (*Attachment B*)
- 11:00 AM DEMHS Update, **John Field, DEMHS Region 5 Coordinator**
- 11:10 AM **Municipal Forum:** Information Sharing Round Table
- 11:55 AM Administrative Items:

OPTIONAL LUNCH FOR MEMBERS TO FOLLOW

- a) **ACTION** Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes for the July 13th, 2023 Regular Meeting and the August 23rd, 2023 Special Meeting (*Attachments C and D*)
- b) **ACTION** Approval of Financial Statement for June, **Sarah Better**, **Program Manager** (Attachment E)
- c) **ACTION** Endorsement of State OSWA Grant Applications:
 - a. Litchfield Land Trust for Preservation of 104.84 acres off Rt 202 on Fern Ave in Litchfield.
 - b. Warren Land Trust for Preservation of 336 acres within the Wyantenock State Forest.
 - c. Northwest CT Land Conservancy for Preservation of Middle Farm, 670 acres containing many critical natural resources including over 1 mile of Bantam River.
 - d. Town of Salisbury for Preservation of 297 acres of forest and ridgeline overlooking Salisbury's Twin Lakes.
 - e. Town of Winchester for Preservation of 508 acres of scenic ridgeline and forest between Route 800 and East Wakefield Blvd.
- d) **ACTION** Endorsement of State Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Pilot 2023 Grant (USDOT) Town of Winchester Main Street Corridor Study and Redesign: \$320,000 grant request (with an \$80,000 match, for \$400,000 project total) for a study and redesign of Winsted's Main Street.
- e) **ACTION** Endorsement of State Brownfield Assessment-Only Round 18 Town of Winchester Municipally-Owned Brownfield Assessment Funds (Amount TBD) to assess 189 Rowley Street (PW Garage) and 3 Meadow Street (Municipal Parking Lot)

12:00 PM Other Business as Raised by Members and Adjournment.