

MINUTES OF THE 7/2/18
SCCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
SCCOG Office, Norwich, CT

Present: Tom Sparkman, Art Shilosky, Mark Nickerson, Jim Rivers, Ron McDaniel
Staff: James Butler, Kate Rattan

The Executive Director stated that Chairman Passero had texted him yesterday to say he was not able to attend this morning's meeting.

Vice Chairman Sparkman opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

1. Possible Cancellation of 8/15 Meeting

The Executive Director asked if the Executive Committee wished to recommend to the SCCOG the cancellation of the August meeting, as it has done in the past.

MOTION: To recommend to the full SCCOG the cancellation of the August 15th meeting (McDaniel, Nickerson). So voted unanimously.

2. Non-Profit Tax Impact Tax Force

The Executive Director reported on last week's organizational meeting with SCCOG CEOs who would serve on this task force, and their discussion as to what the task force mission should be and who outside of the SCCOG should be invited to participate. He said that staff has started data gathering and should be ready to call for a meeting in September. The goal would be to draft ideas for recommended legislation that could be presented to the southeastern CT legislative delegation by the end of the year.

3. JLUS Implementation Grant Status

The Executive Director reported that the amendment to the JLUS Implementation grant was submitted this past Friday to DOD OEA. The first part of the grant, to do a zoning and transportation study in Groton around the SUBASE has been approved by OEA; this second part would plan for the impacts associated with the EB/SUBASE ramp-up, and is expected to be approved for funding by OEA.

4. Update on Mitigation of Goldstar Bridge Pedestrian Path Crossing

The Executive Director reported SCCOG staff's and Mike Carroll's recent teleconference with CTDOT's Dennis Solinsky concerning the need to mitigate the expected 8-week closing of the pedestrian path later this summer. Mr. Carroll has developed a plan and cost estimates for use of a SEAT shuttle running every thirty minutes during peak hours, and extension of existing bus routes. The Executive Director said he has not heard back from CTDOT, but once he does he will keep the SCCOG informed.

5. FY 2018 STIP/TIP Amendments

MOTION: To recommend to the full SCCOG the approval of the FY 2018 STIP/TIP Amendments (McDaniel, Nickerson). So voted unanimously.

6. Other

The Executive Director reported on the Regional Bike-Pedestrian Plan consultant selection panel interviews with four consultant teams last week. He said the selection panel consisted of Windham Town Manager Jim Rivers, Waterford Planning Director Abby Piersall, Colchester Town Engineer Sal Tassone, SCCOG staff Kate Rattan, Carly Meyers, and himself. The panel selected their top firm, and negotiation of the final scope of work and fee has begun; he said he anticipates the negotiations will be finalized and the consultant will beginning work in the next couple of weeks.

The Executive Director presented the Executive Committee with the Regional Services Grant (RSG) Spending Plan that he had to send to OPM before July 1. He said that it continues the work in the FY 2019 Work Plan that the SCCOG had previously adopted, and that it shows in detail how the RSG funds will be expended over the fiscal year. He said he will include copies in the next SCCOG meeting agenda packet.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

James S. Butler, Executive Director