

**MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 22, 2019 MEETING  
OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

**Members Present:** Bittman (Sprague); Calvert (Franklin); Cherry (Ledyard); Giroux (Lisbon); Kunkemoeller (City of Groton); Levine (New London); Malozzi (Lebanon); Pritchard (Town of Groton)

**Others Present:** Justin LaFountain (SCCOG Staff)

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Giroux called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

A quorum was present.

3. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Commissioner Levine made a motion to approve the RPC minutes of January 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Cherry. Approved unanimously.

4. Updates From Commissioners on Current Local Municipal Activities

Each commissioner stated some of the activities which are occurring in their municipality, and some of the actions that are currently being taken by their respective Planning Commissions. Several towns are currently working on or have recently finished their Plan of Conservation and Development updates. Several towns are also working on new developments, TIF programs (Town of Groton), and the potential sale of town-owned property and buildings (Ledyard and Salem).

5. Updates from CT Bar Association Training Event by SCCOG Staff

LaFountain spoke on topics that were discussed at the biennial CT Bar Association training event for land use commissioners and staff which was held on March 23, 2019 at Wesleyan University. Some of the topics discussed were non-conforming uses, RLUIPA, and environmental intervenors. Commissioner Cherry noted that he attended the meeting and spoke of a few additional topics which he remembered as informative. Several commissioners discussed short-term rentals and it was decided that that would be a good topic for the July RPC meeting. Commissioner Cherry believes it would be good to invite CEOs and municipal planners

to that meeting as well, which LaFountain will look into. LaFountain will put together a presentation on the subject.

LaFountain then spoke briefly about the upcoming 2020 Decennial Census. LaFountain informed the Commission that the Census Bureau informed staff at the Council of Governments that they are hoping that each town will create a Complete Count Committee to ensure participation in the census from as many people as possible.

6. Adjournment: Commissioner Levine made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairman Giroux. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Justin LaFountain, CZEO

Planner II, SCCOG