

**MINUTES FROM THE JULY 26, 2022 MEETING  
OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

**Members Present:** Fontneau (Salem); King (Norwich); Kunkemoeller (City of Groton); Levine (New London); Malozzi (Lebanon); Pritchard (Town of Groton); Gordon (East Lyme); Seder (Bozrah); Whitescarver (Ledyard);

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

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chairman Pritchard called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call

A quorum was present.

The agenda was re-arranged to have the guest speaker present prior to other Commission business.

3. Resiliency Presentation

Mary Buchanan, PhD, with the Connecticut Institute for Resilience and Climate Adaptation (CIRCA), presented to the Commission about the ongoing efforts to update the Regional Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan. This process is completed every five years. SCCOG has partnered with CIRCA and Resilient Land and Water to update the Plan. Ms. Buchanan presentation included information about what has happened in the process thus far, and the next steps that will be taken. She also invited feedback from the Commissioners, and took questions.

4. Approval of Minutes

Secretary Levine made a motion to approve the last official set of minutes from January 27, 2020, seconded by Commissioner Seder. **Approved unanimously.**

5. Election of Officers

Commissioner Fontneau nominated Ron Giroux for Chairman. Commissioner Malozzi seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Commissioner Fontneau nominated Jeff Pritchard for Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Seder seconded. **Approved unanimously, with Vice-Chairman Pritchard abstaining.**

Vice-Chairman Pritchard nominated Barry Levine for Secretary. Commissioner Fontneau seconded. **Approved unanimously, with Secretary Levine abstaining.**

6. Municipal Updates from Commissioners

Each commissioner provided insight into what is happening in their communities. Several towns (Salem and East Lyme) noted they are working on either completing or implementing their Plans of Conservation and Development, several towns noted their work on reviewing, placing moratoriums, or approving cannabis establishments (Town of Groton, Ledyard, and New London, respectively), and several towns noted they are working on reviews of data centers (Bozrah, Town of Groton). A variety of other updates were provided for each municipality.

7. Adjournment: Secretary Levine made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Seder. **Approved unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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