



SECHA Board of Directors Meeting  
September 9, 2022  
8:30 AM

Conducted by Zoom Conference

**Minutes**

Attendees: Norton Wheeler, Susy Hurlbert, Bob Fusari, Deborah Monahan, Mark Oefinger, Les King, Julie Savin, David Stanland, Amanda Kennedy, Justin LaFountain

1. Call to Order

Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

2. Introductions

Members and guests introduced themselves.

3. Approve July 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: To approve the July 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes (Savin, Monahan). So voted unanimously, with Oefinger abstaining.

4. Financial Report

Ms. Kennedy presented the financial report. The current balance is roughly \$10,000. Ms. Kennedy noted that the expenditures of about \$1,000/month are normal for when there is an active project ongoing. Certain grants need to be spent down prior to applying for new grants.

MOTION: To approve the financial report as amended (Oefinger, Monahan). So voted unanimously.

5. Membership Committee

Ms. Kennedy noted that the Membership Committee is now down to one member, Mr. Oefinger. Ms. Monahan and Ms. Hurlbert volunteered to join the Membership Committee. Mr. Fusari asked Ms. Kennedy to send the contact info of all board members to the board.

6. SECHA/ECAR September 20<sup>th</sup> Event & Resource Guide

Ms. Hurlbert submitted a grant request for an affordable housing event, in conjunction with the Eastern Connecticut Association of Realtors Convention, at the Mystic Hilton on September 20, 2022. The grant was approved, and several speakers have been arranged for the event. The event is open to the public, and 87 people are currently registered. The event is geared towards realtors, builders, developers, and municipalities. Mr. LaFountain with SCCOG has created a brochure/pamphlet with information for developers, municipalities, and residents, which will be distributed at the event and available afterward.

7. Center for Housing Opportunity Update

There is a meeting for funding availability on September 21, 2022. Conn College will be more able to participate in the effort at that time.

8. New Business

Ms. Savin is working on funding sources for different projects, and is finding that a lot of funding sources are available. Mr. Fusari noted that he is still working with the State to change the rules for septic system standards, to reflect the current efficiency of the systems. Mr. Fusari may ask for support for this effort in the future.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Friday, November 4, 2022.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 AM.