



Regional Brownfields Partnership of West Central Connecticut

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RECORD OF MEETING

Regional Brownfields Partnership 2019 Annual Meeting
Waterbury City Hall
Veterans Memorial Hall
235 Grand Street
Waterbury, CT 06702
10 a.m., Wednesday, September 25, 2019

Attendance

Municipal Appointed Representatives (Quorum Present): Rick Dunne (proxy for Sheila O'Malley), Chris Edge, Justin Malloy (proxy for Dawn Leger), Andrew Baklik, Ron Pugliese, Christine O'Neill (proxy for Christal Preszler), Cal Hauburger, Paul Grimmer, Cindy Harrison (proxy for Jeff Manville), Louis Perillo, Kurt Miller, James Nardozzi, Roy Cavanaugh, Maryellen Edwards, Karen Spargo.

Guests, Speakers, Other: Michael Ainsworth, Tia Santiago, Jane Witherell, Allison Dodge, Kim McLaughlin, Zach Keith, David Kooris, Ned Moore, Dan Pesce, Victoria Man, Mark Lewis, Sarah Burkhalter-Sweeney, John Bondos, Desra Blanchard, Sharon Samoska, Lauren Rizzo, Gabriel Filer, Michael Szpryngel, Arthur Bogen, Aaron Budris, Olivia Brandi.

1. Welcoming Remarks and Presentation of Brownfields in Waterbury

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. Mayor Neil O'Leary of Waterbury welcomed all in attendance and introduced the speakers for the panel discussion portion of the meeting. He also offered comments about brownfields and the accomplishments achieved in brownfields remediation in the City of Waterbury. Due to other commitments, Mayor O'Leary was unable to stay for the entire meeting, and the presentation on brownfields transformations in the City of Waterbury was given by Jim Nardozzi of the Waterbury Development Corp.

Following the presentation, those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the roll was called.

2. Business Portion

- a. *Approval of Minutes of the September 12, 2018 RBP Annual Meeting* – On a motion by Chris Edge, seconded by Paul Grimmer, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the September 12, 2018 RBP annual meeting as presented.

- b. *Financial Report* – NVCOG Executive Director Rick Dunne reviewed all components of the financial report. These included details on the revolving loan fund, grants by task, DECD municipal brownfields projects, and EPA fund and program income. On a motion by Ron Pugliese, seconded by Chris Edge, it was unanimously

VOTED: To accept the financial report.

- c. *RBP Elections* – RBP Chairman Roy Cavanaugh noted there were recently adopted revisions to the Regional Brownfields Partnership Operating Procedures. Rick Dunne explained the new executive-at-large positions. Officers are elected in odd numbered years and executive board members at-large are elected in even numbered years. Mr. Dunne said that officers elected today will be elected for the normal two year term and executive at-large members will serve for a one year term and will come up again for election next year for a regular full term.

The Governance Committee report was given by Chairman Roy Cavanaugh. There were no nominations from the floor, and the proposed slate consisted of the following individuals:

Chairman	Roy Cavanaugh
Vice Chair	Sheila O’Malley
Secretary/Treasurer	Jim Nardozzi
At-Large Member	Ron Pugliese
At-Large Member	Chris Edge

Chairman Cavanaugh requested Secretary/Treasurer Jim Nardozzi make a vote in favor of the slate as proposed. Mr. Nardozzi did so, and the slate was elected as shown.

- d. *RBP Annual Update* – Arthur Bogen noted highlights from the last year of RBP activities.
 - i. *Noteworthy Projects* – These included 909 Bank Street in Waterbury, two properties in Berlin, a property in Ansonia, and a property in Derby. Other noteworthy projects were in Naugatuck, Beacon Falls, and Thomaston.
 - ii. *Upcoming Opportunities* – Mr. Bogen described available funding and said he should be contacted regarding any proposed brownfields projects.
- e. *CT Brownfield Land Bank Update* – Mr. Bogen said the CT Brownfield Land Bank has been provided with an assessment grant, one of only two non-profits in the nation to be selected. Two eligibility assessments have already been approved, one in Bristol and one in East Hampton. As the president of CT Brownfield Land Bank, Mr. Bogen noted that he is proud of the relationship between the Land Bank, NVCOG, and the RBP.
- f. *Other* – Rick Dunne noted that NVCOG had some changes in staff. Three new staff members will be involved in various aspects of brownfield related activities.

Following the business portion of the meeting, a panel discussion took place. Panelists were James Byrne, EPA Program Lead, Cleanup and State Funding; CT DECD Deputy Commissioner David Kooris, CT DEEP Brownfields Coordinator Mark Lewis, and CT Brownfield Land Bank President Arthur Bogen.

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.