



# Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments

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## Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments and Lower Connecticut River Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

### MINUTES OF REGIONAL HOUSING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, June 25, 2024 – 2:00 PM

**Members & Alternates Present:** Pat Bandzes (Chester), Bonnie Bennet (Chester), Abby Piersall (Clinton), Stuart Popper (Cromwell), Daniel Smith (Deep River), David Rosengren (Essex), David Lahm (Lyme), Marek Kozikowski (Middletown), Michael Fogliano (Old Lyme), Eric Salmon (Westbrook)

**Others Present:** Ben Lovejoy (CT Dept. of Housing), Bill Neale (Westbrook), Karla Lindquist (HOPE Partnership), Carol Jones (Deep River), Chris Costa (Old Saybrook)

**RiverCOG Staff Present:** Megan Joufflas, Eliza LoPresti, Susie Beckman, Marcos Gonzalez, Sam Gold

#### Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fogliano at 2:05 p.m. The meeting was held in person and via Zoom video conference.

#### Approval of Minutes of May 28, 2024 Meeting

*Ms. Bandzes moved to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2024 meeting; second by Mr. Smith. Vote was unanimous in favor with Mr. Fogliano abstaining.*

#### Workshop Presentation & Workshop Activity

Ms. Joufflas gave a summary of the background information on Regional Housing Needs Assessments (RHNA's). The group then proceeded into the hands-on workshop in which determination, allocation, and other items about a RHNA were discussed and ultimately decided upon to be part of the methodology for the region. You can view the presentation and the workshop [here](#).

#### Adjournment

*Ms. Bandzes moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:48 PM; second by Mr. Lahm. Vote was unanimous in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Eliza LoPresti