

**CONNECTICUT RIVER ESTUARY**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

Minutes  
March 16, 2005

<b>Present/Absent:</b>	<b>CHESTER</b>	<b>Martin Heft</b>
	<i>CLINTON</i>	<i>James McCusker</i>
	<b>DEEP RIVER</b>	<b>Dick Smith</b>
	<b>ESSEX</b>	<b>Phil Miller</b>
	<b>KILLINGWORTH</b>	<b>David Denvir</b>
	<b>LYME</b>	<b>Bill Koch</b>
	<b>OLD LYME</b>	<b>Tim Griswold</b>
	<b>OLD SAYBROOK</b>	<b>Mike Pace</b>
	<b>WESTBROOK</b>	<b>Tony Palermo</b>
	<b>CRERPA</b>	<b>Bruce Edgerton</b>
	<b>DOT</b>	<b>Kathryn Faraci, <i>Rich Corona</i></b>
	<b>STAFF</b>	<b>Linda Krause, Jean Davies, Amy Cabaniss, Dorothy Papp</b>

**Call to Order**

Chairman Mike Pace called the meeting to order immediately following the LCVSA meeting at 10:00 AM at the CRERPA office.

Bruce Edgerton was welcomed as the CRERPA Board's designated member to CREMPO.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Phil Miller moved to accept the minutes for the meeting of February 9, 2005.** David Denvir seconded with a **correction to read "sidewalks are *ineligible* for funding..."** Nine were in favor with one abstention by Tim Griswold due to his absence from last month's meeting.

**New Business**

Jean Davies presented the Air Quality Conformity Report for approval with a letter to exclude three projects listed in error from the 1993 version of the document. The report is meant to insure continuing conformity with Clean Air Standards. **Dick Smith moved to approve the Air Quality Conformity Report with the condition that projects listed for the Connecticut Estuary Region be deleted from the report as follows:**

**2015 Network Changes for Estuary Region:**

**0105XXXX Ingham Hill Road – OS / Connect Ingham Hill Rd to Rte 153 / adds two lanes (new road)**  
**0105XXXX Route 154 – OS / Widening from Route 1 to Route 9 / adds two lanes to existing two (4 total)**  
**0105XXXX Toby Hill Rd – Wstbrk / Extension of Toby Hill Rd to Pond Meadow Rd / adds two lanes (new road)**

Phil Miller seconded. All were in favor.

Two representatives from VISTA spoke in support of a 5310 application for funding toward a new mini bus to supplement the hours and routes of current public transportation for VISTA's 150 members. Jean Davies compiled the application for \$38,000 to be used in addition to \$58,000 of VISTA funds. **Dick Smith moved to endorse the application for 5310 funding toward a new mini bus for VISTA.** Phil Miller seconded. All were in favor.

### **Old Business**

Jean Davies distributed a map showing the existing and proposed ETD flexible route systems along Routes 1 and 154. She will give a subcommittee update next meeting.

Jean Davies distributed a draft section of the Transit Long Range Plan along with a Review Sheet. She noted that Minor Collector Roads that used to be funded when the region had a rural designation will no longer be funded under MPO constraints unless they are reclassified by DOT as Major Collectors. Jean urged the selectmen to review their individual towns for roads needing redesignation.

Mitzi Eilts from the Estuary Senior Center explained the Center's recent request for additional funding from the towns as necessary to maintain its door-to-door and door-through-door Dial-a-Ride Program to supplement ETD's public transit service. Mitzi also reported that the Senior Center is moving ahead and ready to open bids on the \$640,000 renovation grant received through an application on its behalf by Old Saybrook.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

The next regular meeting of **CREMPO** is at CRERPA on

**Wednesday, April 20, 2005 at 8:30 AM**