

Central CT Solid Waste Authority (CCSWA) Minutes

Full Membership Meeting

Monday, October 20, 2025

2:00 p.m. EST

Members and Designees

Daniel Carter	Bloomfield Public Works
Donald Nunes	Enfield Public Works
Russ Arnold	Farmington Public Works
Jonathan Luiz	Glastonbury Town Manager
Mike Bisi	Glastonbury Public Works
Kirk Severance	Granby Public Works
Petrel Maylor	Hartford Public Works
Tim Bockus	Manchester Public Works
Scott Atkin	Manchester Public Works
Rebecca Fowler	Manchester Public Works
Tom Roy	Simsbury Public Works
Tony Manfre	South Windsor Public Works
Vincent Stetson	South Windsor Public Works

Staff

Matt Hart	CRCOG Executive Director
Robyn Nichols	CRCOG Principal Program Manager, MSC
Sonya Carrizales	CRCOG, Environmental Planner

Guests

Kelsey Kahn	IMEG
Kathleen Young	H2M Architects & Engineers
Joe Manzella	H2M Architects & Engineers
Rachel Bright	IMEG
Elizabeth Lunt	Columbia Public Works
Mark Moriarty	New Britain Public Works
Daniel Pestrichello	USA Recycling
Robert	Unknown

1. The virtual meeting was called to order by Tom Roy, CCSWA Vice-Chair, at 2:02 p.m.
2. Quorum was confirmed.

3. There was no public comment.
4. CCSWA June 16, 2025 Full Membership Meeting Minutes were approved with Kirk Severance (Granby) and Mike Bisi (Glastonbury) abstaining. (Motion by Tim Bockus (Manchester) and seconded by Russ Arnold (Farmington)).
5. There was no CCSWA Chair Report.
6. Matt Hart, CRCOG Executive Director, provided a few remarks on CCSWA and next steps with the RWA, including going out to bid for services and a regional education and recycling program.
7. Staff Reports - Robyn Nichols (CRCOG) provided an update on the gas cylinder EPR mandates, which became effective on October 1, 2025, the first in the United States. Robyn Nichols (CRCOG) also asked that any members interested in serving on the CCSWA Executive Committee and/or as an Officer, to please contact her prior to the December Annual Meeting.
8. Scott Atkin (Manchester) provided an update on the status of the Town of Manchester's Materials Management Infrastructure (MMI) Grant funding from CTDEEP, including the environmental study which was under review by the State. The Manchester MMI Grant includes building a new depackaging and recycling facility to serve Manchester, CCSWA members, and other interested, surrounding communities.
9. Matt Hart (CRCOG) and Robyn Nichols (CRCOG) provided background on the CCSWA sub-regions and introduced a map designating the sub-regions by area for CCSWA review and approval. Motion was made by Russ Arnold (Farmington) and seconded by Scott Aktin (Manchester) to approve the CCSWA Sub-Region map. Mike Bisi (Glastonbury) abstained. Motion carried.
10. Joe Manzella (H2M) and Rachel Bright (IMEG) provided a detailed walkthrough of the RWA Project to date, including a description of the two-phased approach – Planning and Implementation, as well as the Member Survey, with the Planning Report to be delivered in 80% draft in mid-December, 2025.
11. Robyn Nichols (CRCOG) provided brief updates on the following:
 - a. Textile Recycling Program through Bay State Textiles with participating member towns receiving \$120/ton for collected textiles
 - b. Sustainable CT Climate Action Leaders/Certifications, including many of our own CCSWA member municipalities
 - c. Recap of SUN Day Sustainability and Resiliency Week
 - d. October Funding Opportunities

- e. Members also discussed pursuing additional diversion and recycling opportunities, including electronics and HHW.

12. Next Steps

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- 13. Motion to adjourn was made by Daniel Carter (Bloomfield) and seconded by Tim Bockus (Manchester). Meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

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