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13 January 3, 2023, beginning at 1:34 p.m.
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15 H e l d B e f o r e :

16 JOHN W. BETKOSKI, III, WPC CHAIRMAN,
17 and PURA VICE-CHAIRMAN
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1 **A p p e a r a n c e s :**

2 **WATER PLANNING COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

3 **JOHN W. BETKOSKI, III, CHAIRMAN (PURA)**

4 **MARTIN HEFT (OPM)**

5 **LORI MATHIEU (DPH)**

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7 **Alternate:**

8 **CHRIS BELLUCCI (DEEP)**

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10 **ALSO PRESENT (on record):**

11 **VIRGINIA de LIMA**

12 **DAVID RADKA**

13 **DAVID KUZMINSKI**

14 **DENISE SAVAGEAU**

15 **KAREN BURNASKA**

16 **DAN LAWRENCE**

17 **ALICEA CHARAMUT**

18 **CAROL HASKINS**

19 **RICHARD HANRATTY, JR.**

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21 **Staff:**

22 **LAURA LUPOLI**

23 **ALYSON AYOTTE**

1 (Begin: 1:35 p.m.)

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3 THE CHAIRMAN: Good afternoon. Happy New Year. I call
4 the meeting of the Water Planning Council for
5 January 3, 2023 to order.

6 The first order of business will be the
7 approval of the December 2nd meeting transcript.
8 Do we have a motion?

9 LORI MATHIEU: So moved.

10 MARTIN HEFT: I'll second it, Lori.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Any questions on the motion? I should
12 say this, that Graham is under the weather and we
13 have Chris substituting for him today.

14 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

15 THE COUNCIL: Aye.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: The transcript is approved.

17 Do we have any public comments on agenda
18 items today?

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20 (No response.)

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22 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Correspondence received, I'm
23 going to -- the major correspondence that we have
24 received is on the draft annual report to the
25 Legislature that Virginia, David and company

1 worked on, and we will get to that.

2 And also we have correspondence received
3 signed off by Martin Heft, the drought plan
4 recommendations, correspondence received dated
5 December 9th. So we will also discuss that as we
6 get to that on the agenda. And I believe that's
7 all the correspondence that we have received.

8 So we're going to move on to agency reports.
9 We'll start with WUCC. Lori?

10 LORI MATHIEU: Yes, hi. Eric McPhee cannot join us
11 today, but he and I spoke earlier and there's a
12 few things that he wanted to share.

13 The next WUCC implementation meeting is
14 Wednesday, February 15th at one o'clock. It's a
15 Teams meeting, and the agenda and the link will be
16 sent out in January. So you should all see that.
17 If you're interested in joining that particular
18 meeting, you can send an e-mail to me or to Eric
19 McPhee -- or the two of us. You're all welcome to
20 attend and join.

21 And the discussion will be the prioritization
22 of the next implementation items. So a really
23 important meeting. Again, that's the WUCC
24 implementation meeting, Wednesday, February 15th,
25 at one o'clock on Teams.

1 The 2023 priorities that Eric has listed, and
2 him and I have chatted about are to assess
3 linkages between the WUCCs themselves to really
4 operationalize. You know the WUCCs, there's three
5 of them and sometimes the lines and the
6 communication lines get lost. And so just
7 discussing the linkages between the WUCCs
8 themselves as well as the individual water supply
9 plans, and to make sure that we are fully
10 incorporating the information through water supply
11 planning into the WUCCs and as the statute and the
12 law envisioned way back in the 1980s.

13 And obviously as we've been talking about,
14 incorporate the new pieces and plans that are in
15 place; the state water plan, our implementation
16 and work on the GC3, and there's a lot of other
17 things that are going on that we want to talk
18 about.

19 Drought triggers. Right? And not only
20 drought triggers for individual water utilities,
21 but across regions and where utilities are
22 interconnected or share water. There's a lot of
23 discussion that we think is necessary and needed
24 there.

25 Cybersecurity is another one that this year

1 you're going to hear a lot about. We want to push
2 that forward and we're making some internal
3 assignments on ramping up our efforts on
4 cybersecurity for public drinking water systems.

5 Water conservation and water efficiency is
6 another item for discussion, which rolls right
7 into what we've talked about within our group,
8 rate structures, supply and demand calculations.

9 There's many other planning issues, but those
10 are sort of the priorities that have risen to the
11 top of our discussions. And more to come, but
12 again if you would like to join that meeting on
13 February 15th at one o'clock on Teams, please --
14 and you don't have the link, let me know. Let
15 Eric know. We'll provide that link to you.

16 You're all welcome to attend.

17 And that's all I have for WUCC. Thank you.

18 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you, Lori.

19 Any questions for Lori from the
20 Councilmembers?

21
22 (No response.)

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24 **THE CHAIRMAN:** If not, private wells?

25 **LORI MATHIEU:** Thank you Jack.

1 So we have been working on providing
2 information concerning all the questions that
3 we've been receiving, and specifically from local
4 health directors and environmental laboratories
5 about the information that they have on private
6 wells and the terminology within the statute as it
7 pertains to confidentiality of the information.
8 We're still working through that -- that has
9 become quite the interesting discussion.

10 There's 61 local health departments. I may
11 have mentioned this prior. Many of them do a
12 little bit different things with that information.
13 Some of that information in the past has been made
14 public in a public file. So there's a lot of
15 questions around that, what to do about
16 confidentiality and the law change that happened.

17 You know, I think there's going to be even
18 more discussion around that, that statute change.
19 So I know there's a lot of interest in this and
20 what it all means moving forward.

21 And so more to come on that as the
22 legislative session gets started.

23 That's all I have.

24 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you, Lori. And finally -- all of
25 the agency reports say, Lori -- PFAS. I believe

1 you had a session after our last meeting?

2 LORI MATHIEU: We did. So just a quick brief on that.
3 So we held a very nice -- I think it ended up
4 being about a 2 and-a-half hour meeting physically
5 in person, hybrid as well, at the LOB on December
6 8th. And Commissioners Dykes and Juthani
7 presided. We also invited our state agency
8 colleagues that are part of task force and the
9 Governor's action plan on PFAS.

10 We've recorded that, if you would like to see
11 if you could not make it. But if you did make it,
12 we thank you for being there. We received a lot
13 of public comment. We took about 20, 25 minutes
14 of public comment, which was good for us.

15 But essentially what the meeting was about
16 was right before COVID started in November of
17 2019, we had a task force that worked for three
18 months. We wrote an action plan, the Governor had
19 signed off on it, and there were many items within
20 that.

21 And there's three sections of the PFAS. It's
22 a very short read, if you're interested. Again,
23 let me know if you want to see it, but there's --
24 if you just google PFAS Connecticut you'll find
25 the information on our webpage -- DEP's webpage,

1 there's a lot of information.

2 But the task force itself came up with three
3 areas -- actually four areas of focus; public
4 health, remediation and protection, and then also
5 communication, education and outreach.

6 So we wanted to bring to everyone -- after
7 three years of our work, it's definitely through
8 the COVID period -- to remind everyone that there
9 is an action plan, number one.

10 Number two, the work that has been done and
11 accomplished over the last three years.

12 And then also, not only by DEEP and DPH, but
13 all of our state agencies. So our sister state
14 agencies were there and many, many presentations
15 from other agencies about the work that they've
16 been undertaking.

17 And again we received quite a bit of public
18 comment and we'll be working toward that end to
19 move our implementation even more forward.

20 You know, I was just thinking about the
21 action plan itself and for this group maybe I
22 can -- you know, Chris, you and I could speak with
23 Graham and think about maybe bringing a mini
24 presentation to this group just so that you could
25 all hear from us directly, if you would like.

1 And it's, Chris, something you and I could
2 chat with Graham about if you'd like.

3 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Yeah, certainly. Yeah we can do that.

4 LORI MATHIEU: Okay.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Lori, I think that's -- you're kind of
6 reading my mind. I think that's a great idea,
7 because there's been a lot going on. I remember
8 sitting at the first few meetings that we had over
9 at the state DOT office, kind of laying the
10 foundation for this whole thing that happened, the
11 plane crash at Bradley and then some other issues.

12 So a lot has happened since then. So I think
13 that presentation is a good idea. So let's plan
14 on doing that in the future.

15 LORI MATHIEU: Okay. Very good.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Any questions or comments for Lori?

17 LORI MATHIEU: You know what's interesting is, at the
18 very end of -- and Jack you'll remember this. At
19 the very end of us putting together the state
20 water plan PFAS had just risen up as an issue.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: It just started. That's right.

22 LORI MATHIEU: There is a very small piece. I think we
23 added it to section six or seven of the plan and
24 said, oh. By the way, this is something that
25 we're going to have to deal with in the future --

1 I think the plan says.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Put on our radar, and lo and behold.

3 Right?

4 LORI MATHIEU: Put it on our radar and then it all --
5 right after I think our approval of our plan this
6 all, all broke out.

7 So yeah, I'll work with Chris and Graham on
8 following up on that.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: And Ali, make sure we make a note for
10 the next meeting that we have that on the agenda,
11 please.

12 LORI MATHIEU: Maybe not February. Maybe March -- I
13 don't know.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. That's fine -- especially if Mike
15 comes to the next meeting. All right. We'll work
16 out the schedule.

17 LORI MATHIEU: All right. Thank you.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Lori.

19 Okay. Moving on to action items.

20 Unfortunately, Mike cannot be with us today, but
21 we do have a drought sub work summary of
22 recommendations that Martin and his team have put
23 together, and it's been sent out.

24 Martin, do you want to comment on this?

25 MARTIN HEFT: Sure. Thanks, Jack.

1 So first off, thanks to the drought topical
2 sub workgroup and all the work that they put into
3 reviewing the plan back in July of '21.

4 As everyone is aware that the interagency
5 drought work groups has been going through all of
6 the recommendations. Some of those have been
7 adopted back in September by the Water Planning
8 Council, and then we're still reviewing priority
9 lists of some of the other items.

10 And then we also have a list of eight items
11 which really fall under the Water Planning
12 Council's jurisdiction, if you will, because they
13 relate to more policy decisions. And then with
14 that direction then the drought workgroup can then
15 take whatever actions that way.

16 So not looking per se of any actions today on
17 each of these eight items, but items that we'll
18 want to continue on our agenda to review and may
19 work with, obviously, the topical sub workgroup; a
20 full report that we can pull out, the pieces there
21 and ascertain what is the particulars of each one
22 of those areas? And then decide whether or not it
23 be included or where we go with that.

24 So that's kind of the way I kind of see that
25 going on, and I'm happy to kind of put those

1 pieces together as we come up with future meetings
2 and kind of address a couple at each meeting, or
3 something to that nature, if that sounds fine with
4 everybody?

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Sure. That sounds great to me. I mean,
6 a lot of progress has been made with this
7 subgroup. We appreciate everybody's efforts with
8 that.

9 Lori or Chris, do you have any questions or
10 comments?

11 CHRIS BELLUCCI: No. No comment.

12 LORI MATHIEU: No, I just thank Martin for his
13 leadership and this, this smaller group that's
14 done the details is important.

15 Every drought that we go through we learn
16 more, that's for sure. And the good thing about
17 it is we have to constantly update things because
18 I feel like there still are some -- there's always
19 going to be something that we need to address in
20 greater detail.

21 And I think the interesting part that we're
22 going through now when we're meeting on Thursday
23 is, how do you ramp down? Right? And how do you
24 make those decisions? Which it's an interesting
25 exercise. Right?

1 And so it's just a constant work in progress,
2 I think, and Martin has done a great job leading
3 discussion there.

4 **MARTIN HEFT:** Thanks, Lori.

5 **THE CHAIRMAN:** He really, really has, and certainly
6 have had a lot of challenges over the past year,
7 year and a half. And fortunately, I think we're
8 almost to the point where -- I don't want to jinx
9 it and say we're drought free, but we're almost --

10 **LORI MATHIEU:** Oh, please don't. Please? No, no, no,
11 no, no. Knock on wood everybody.

12 **MARTIN HEFT:** And it is raining out.

13 **THE CHAIRMAN:** It's raining out today. Yes, yes.
14 Well, thank you very much.

15 Any questions? Comments?

16
17 (No response.)

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19 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Okay, next, we're going to move on to
20 Virginia and Dave, who are going to give us a
21 report on the draft report to the Legislature.

22 Before I turn it over to Virginia and Dave, I
23 have to say that I've reviewed this and I'm very,
24 very impressed with the work product that you and
25 the group have put out in such a short period of

1 time.

2 It's one of the best I've seen, quite
3 frankly, and the Legislature is going to be very
4 surprised that we're going to be getting this
5 stuff there in a timely manner. So that would be
6 an impetus for them to give us the million bucks
7 we need for the -- or 800,000, that we're looking
8 for the -- right, Martin? It's going to help us.

9 So anyway, I'm going to turn it over to
10 Virginia and Dave. Thank you.

11 VIRGINIA de LIMA: Thanks, Jack. And I also want to
12 say thank you to the rest of you folks who, even
13 though you just got it on Friday, had a chance to
14 look at it and give us feedback already. That was
15 much appreciated, and we can basically incorporate
16 your various suggestions.

17 But I'm going to turn it over to Dave who
18 really took the lead on putting this together.

19 DAVID RADKA: Thanks. Thanks, Virginia. And thanks,
20 Jack.

21 And as Virginia mentioned, it's great that
22 you guys have already responded with various
23 edits, suggestions. I went through them; they all
24 seem very reasonable.

25 I think Lori had a few questions that -- and

1 I was hoping it would be today or maybe at some
2 near future date we could actually have a
3 conversation and parse out which of hers you
4 wanted -- how you wanted those answered.

5 And also to have you answer the question, do
6 you want us to continue to massage this? Or is
7 this something you want to basically take in-house
8 in the agencies and finalize yourself?

9 But as far as the process, the last meeting
10 we reported on the template that we have prepared
11 for reporting out from the various sub topical
12 work groups. And it was a very good process. It
13 needs a little fine tuning, but I think as far as
14 going forward, we recommend the team use that as
15 far as capturing past activities and initiatives.

16 And hopefully -- we tried to walk a fine line
17 between providing enough information, especially
18 for new legislators as to what is the state water
19 plan? What is the Water Planning Council, in
20 enough detail, but abbreviated detail on the
21 various initiatives without it becoming too
22 overwhelming. So hopefully we did that. It
23 seemed to be a good response so far.

24 There are a few things that I think we would
25 still like to get some feedback on. One is we

1 took the liberty of, not only preparing a cover of
2 our letter of transmittal for you and a draft fact
3 sheet, but also trying to synthesize what we
4 believe your priorities for 2023 and beyond are.

5 And those were really an amalgam of things
6 you publicly had already captured, and that's
7 historic priorities. And then some of the
8 subsequent conversations that you've had at
9 planning council meetings where you talked about
10 the need to update and maybe tweak your priorities
11 a little bit.

12 So we tried to bring those together, and I
13 don't know if we did an accurate job capturing
14 those. So if you could especially pay attention
15 to that, because we don't want to obviously put
16 words in your mouth and establish priorities for
17 you unless you feel they really are priorities for
18 the whole planning council.

19 And I think, Lori, to you -- I think you even
20 raised the question on one of your comments is,
21 did we really talk about lead service lines? And
22 infrastructure was an original priority and then
23 in subsequent conversations, the issue of lead,
24 lead service lines did come up.

25 So that's why we threw it in there, but again

1 if you can confirm all that, that would be very
2 helpful.

3 And you know, really I just want to
4 especially thank publicly -- I know I did it in my
5 e-mail, Dan Aubin and Kim Czapla, to thank Gavin
6 Kuhn, Denise Savageau and Virginia.

7 Because they all gave up a lot of their
8 holiday time for all of us to work on this and get
9 it done before the end of the year.

10 So I don't know if you have specific
11 questions, but if you do we're happy to address
12 any of them.

13 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Dave, thank you. And I want to
14 reiterate what I sent in an e-mail, to thank
15 everybody for the quick turnaround with this.

16 And you ask questions about kind of capturing
17 what we've done, and I think you've done a really
18 good job with that. And I actually want to get a
19 vote to approve this today and with modifications.
20 So if anybody wants -- like Lori or myself, or
21 Martin or Graham or Chris, that we give it to
22 Friday to get any revisions.

23 We do this with dockets all the time. So
24 when we have a docket come through, that you
25 approve it, and then it gives us a timeframe.

1 Because it's not going to change the overall
2 flavor of the report, so my colleagues don't have
3 any problem with that.

4 That's what I'd like to do -- Lori, unless
5 you want to drill down a little bit now?

6 LORI MATHIEU: I don't know. We didn't have many
7 comments. Is it worth us just going through and
8 talking about them?

9 DAVID RADKA: If I may jump in? Based on what I saw,
10 and Graham only had the one comment.

11 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah.

12 DAVID RADKA: Jack, I didn't get any specific comments
13 from you.

14 Martin, yours were very straightforward.
15 Made sense.

16 I think, Lori, you had the most that were
17 more of a questioning nature.

18 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, you know.

19 DAVID RADKA: If you wanted to spend the time and pull
20 up your document?

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Well, we have time? So why don't
22 we do it, Lori?

23 LORI MATHIEU: If you could? All right. So I mean,
24 some of this stuff is like some simple stuff.

25 Make sure that, David, to your point, when people

1 read this you want them to know that we're a
2 legislative group right?

3 So just putting in the citations that 25-330,
4 which creates the Water Planning Council. And
5 then 22a-352 which creates the requirement for the
6 plan just to remind legislators those are actual
7 statutes, they exist -- and give them links. So
8 if they have no time they can just link on things.

9 Right?

10 Linking to the drought plan and the drought
11 page and that information is so important, and
12 then adding it as an appendix -- the 22-58, that
13 subsection of that on the private well language,
14 so actually what was passed last session.

15 And then I asked a question about the budget,
16 because there was a mention of the budget.
17 There's a mention of the budget and it talks
18 about -- I asked the question, is it worth adding
19 more detail concerning budget and funding? Where
20 you -- let me find the page -- on page 8, where
21 you talk about the water planning chief position
22 description.

23 And then it says, the last sentence you have
24 there is -- and it's just broad -- accordingly the
25 Water Planning Council continues to seek funding

1 for such a position, believing it crucial to
2 advancing the plan's goals and its underpinning
3 legislative intent.

4 Would it be worth adding a little bit more to
5 that given that --

6 VIRGINIA de LIMA: So excuse me a second, Lori.

7 Did you see Martin's comments on your
8 comments?

9 LORI MATHIEU: No, I haven't.

10 MARTIN HEFT: That's okay. Thanks, Virginia.

11 LORI MATHIEU: I'm looking at my comments only. Sorry.

12 MARTIN HEFT: Yeah -- no. And so, Lori, just -- quick
13 on that, and then I'll let you finish.

14 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, yeah.

15 MARTIN HEFT: Because I took your version, then put my
16 edits on your version.

17 LORI MATHIEU: Oh, okay.

18 MARTIN HEFT: Because I went through and part of it I
19 did -- I don't think that we should. You know I
20 added some additional wording saying, proposing
21 funding in the next biennium budget for such a
22 position.

23 LORI MATHIEU: Okay.

24 MARTIN HEFT: But I don't think we should go into the
25 full budget details in the annual report.

1 LORI MATHIEU: Good.

2 MARTIN HEFT: Because it's not even public yet per se
3 of the Governor's budget, anything else on that.

4 But I did tweak the wording a little bit that
5 way.

6 LORI MATHIEU: Excellent. That works for me. That
7 works for me. That's perfect. Yeah -- no, no,
8 that's perfect.

9 That's what I was sort of hinting into the
10 fact that, you know we talk about this chief --
11 but eh, we're sort of rolling this forward and
12 it's going to be, hopefully, a real thing. Good.
13 No, that's good.

14 And then the other, the question about -- as
15 David mentioned, where we say addressing aging
16 infrastructure such as lead service lines, I like
17 the idea of aging infrastructure. I like
18 mentioning we could say, you know, my suggestion
19 there was more detail.

20 You know there's aging infrastructure in
21 drinking water and wastewater and stormwater, and
22 there's a significant amount of money under the
23 bipartisan infrastructure law that you know we
24 have a whole team of people working on that.

25 I think -- I don't know if that's worth

1 adding more detail or just leaving it as aging
2 infrastructure, because there's a lot of aging
3 water infrastructure, not just drinking water.

4 MARTIN HEFT: And Lori, I would agree on that. I think
5 just leaving it is addressing aging
6 infrastructure, period, leaves it open --

7 LORI MATHIEU: Period.

8 MARTIN HEFT: You know, rather than just -- I mean, I
9 know it's giving an example, but you go, but not
10 limited to, but you don't want to highlight one
11 area when I think there's more of that.

12 LORI MATHIEU: I agree.

13 MARTIN HEFT: And I think as you mentioned with the
14 federal money out there, everything else coming
15 down the pike on infrastructure, that I think it
16 leaves it more broad based, but it's showing that
17 we're addressing it.

18 LORI MATHIEU: Yes. And I don't think we ever talked
19 about lead service lines in this, in this group.
20 I mean, there's obviously a lot of discussion
21 going on about that. There is separate party --

22 THE CHAIRMAN: There is, but I would agree keeping it
23 like it is, because when we do -- as you know, we
24 have the water infrastructure, or the
25 infrastructure replacement program that we do with

1 all the companies now.

2 I mean, if we wanted to really expand on
3 things we could put a lot more.

4 So I think the way it is now is fine.

5 LORI MATHIEU: Okay. I think that's it. That was
6 everything I had -- I believe.

7 David, did that catch everything? I think
8 so.

9 DAVID RADKA: I think that's good. And you guys then
10 obviously are okay with the way we put those in
11 that 2023 and beyond into those buckets, the
12 critical, the priority future and the ongoing?

13 It was Dan's idea is the way to sort of
14 separate and really highlight the critical -- as
15 more of a way to highlight the critical things.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: You know, I like that. And I like the
17 way it's the legislature -- and we've said this
18 many times. The legislators get a lot of reports
19 to read. This one is -- you kind of get right to
20 it, and I think you've done a great job putting it
21 in a format where it's easily readable.

22 So I think that's fine.

23 VIRGINIA de LIMA: One of the things that David alluded
24 to in the e-mail that when he sent this to you is
25 that Dan and Ali Hibbard put together a wonderful

1 fact sheet. That fact sheet was based on a prior
2 version of this, where that grouping of those
3 categories that were just mentioning were
4 different at the time.

5 And so that, the fact sheet has not yet been
6 updated to represent the groupings that are in the
7 current version. Dave and I tried to simplify and
8 clarify some of what was in -- what we had done
9 before. And as I said, Dan hasn't had a chance
10 to -- Dan or Ali haven't had a chance to
11 incorporate that into the fact sheet.

12 The intent of the fact sheet was to be a
13 one-page, really quick and dirty. The intent of
14 the executive summary was to be two pages -- which
15 Martin just -- for your editorial comment. It did
16 have a different font size because we wanted to
17 keep it to two pages. And we, you know, the rest
18 of the report was in twelve, but it made it more
19 than two pages. And so we just sort of said,
20 whoops. Okay. We're going to do it.

21 I mean, if we did the whole thing at the
22 smaller font size we'd have to reformat the whole
23 thing -- which we can certainly do if you think
24 it's important, but that's why the font changed.

25 But you know, basically because we realized

1 that there are some legislators who will only find
2 the time for the one-page fact sheet. There are
3 some who will find the time for the two pages.
4 There are few who are going to read the whole
5 thing.

6 But hopefully somebody in one of those two
7 groups, if something specific catches their eye,
8 then they will dig into the body of the report to
9 get more detail on whatever it was that caught
10 their attention. So that will be done.

11 Another thing that has come up -- because
12 trying to stay to our process, we did run this
13 through both the implementation workgroup and the
14 advisory group. And one of the questions that
15 came up from Margaret was that the emphasis is on
16 drinking water, and the wording in the report is
17 taken right out of the various pieces of
18 legislation. And so those, those are quotes.

19 What we might do if you, if you the Water
20 Planning Council would like us to, is try and put
21 in somewhere else in the report that this is not
22 only a drinking water plan, but rather water
23 resources and the environmental aspect of it, and
24 the broader thing. I think we can address some of
25 that.

1 Dave and I have not talked about this yet --
2 so Dave may be surprised to hear me say this, but
3 we might be able to work that idea in somewhere
4 else in the plan just to make sure that it's clear
5 that it's water resources in the broadest sense.

6 LORI MATHIEU: Well, I think that that, Virginia, is a
7 good point. So maybe there's another sentence
8 that needs to be added to the first paragraph of
9 the executive summary about our charge and the
10 preparation and the updates, but that what we are
11 to do is provide for a balance.

12 And maybe there's another sentence or two
13 that talks and speaks to the fact that this is
14 inclusive of water supply, blah, blah, blah, blah,
15 blah, blah, blah, and follow along somewhere
16 under -- well, you know it's interesting that 33o
17 talks a lot about water supply. Right?

18 But the other statute, that's where the
19 statute links are important. Right? The 352,
20 22a-352 speaks about the 17 items that we're
21 supposed to address.

22 So maybe there's a summary, a little mini
23 summary that could be provided there about this,
24 about the plan itself -- because you're right. So
25 many people forgot and there's so many new

1 legislators.

2 I would ask -- David, you mentioned, I think,
3 Virginia, you mentioned this, too -- the actions
4 on the top of page 4 in particular, the critical
5 actions to achieve successful implementation.

6 I think the second item, update to the state
7 water plan, I think another piece -- and we've
8 been talking about this, and I think it's really
9 important, and we talked about the drought plan,
10 the WUCC plan, the GC3 work, the PFAS action plan.
11 Right? All these things that have been done since
12 we drafted our plan, that I think it's the reason
13 to update the state water plan.

14 If somebody asked any one of us during this
15 legislative session, and said, wait a minute. Why
16 do you need all this money? Like, what are you
17 doing? Why would you need to update your plan?

18 Well, there's so much other -- like it's old
19 now because there's so many other plans that are
20 going on. So maybe adding a third sentence to
21 where it says, update to the state water plan?

22 It says, issues surrounding water are
23 constantly changing. The plan acknowledges the
24 need for periodic updates. The plan is now five
25 years old and funding is necessary.

1 We must incorporate the other plans that have
2 existed and drafted ever since this time. So the
3 PFAS plan, the drought plan -- this, the GC3 is
4 very impactful. There's things that we need to
5 address that need to be part of the state water
6 plan.

7 I think maybe if we could add another
8 sentence to that, that makes sense.

9 DAVID RADKA: Lori, this is David. I'm sorry -- I
10 wasn't quite following. Were you reading from the
11 executive summary? Is that what you were --

12 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, page 4.

13 DAVID RADKA: Okay. If you get into the body of it --
14 and I, I totally get what you're saying. We tried
15 to get a lot more detail on the plan update
16 there --

17 LORI MATHIEU: One more sentence about -- because it's
18 going to be important. Right? For the budget
19 we're going to get questioned, why would you
20 update this?

21 I would put another, one sentence when it
22 says, update to the state water plan, in the
23 executive summary. Because again, they're only
24 going to read -- to Virginia's point, people might
25 only read this. Right? They're not going to go

1 into page whatever.

2 They're going to say, what? Why do you need
3 to do this? Well, there's the PFAS action plan.
4 There's the up-to-date drought plan. There's the
5 GC3 work which is significant, and the Governor's
6 report of January 2021. I think it's important to
7 put dates in here to say, look. This was approved
8 at this point. We've had three, four -- five more
9 plans that were passed after this.

10 So you know in legislative thought, and just
11 if I have to say it to anybody, I think that would
12 be one of the main goals for us, is to hire a
13 planning chief so that we can get this work done
14 so we can update the plan, so that we're
15 consistent with other plans that have been done.

16 I just like it right there. One more
17 sentence I think would be really good to do.

18 DAVID RADKA: That's easy to do. Like I said, we
19 already have it in the body of text on page 8.

20 LORI MATHIEU: Page 8?

21 DAVID RADKA: Yeah, it's easy to pull out parts from
22 that there, the second paragraph.

23 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, okay.

24 DAVID RADKA: An update to the plan will incorporate
25 more current condition data as well as information

1 not available for development of the initial plan.
2 This will ensure continued implementation efforts
3 and future policy decisions are guided by valid
4 and timely information. Something along those
5 lines is what you're talking about. Right?

6 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, but specifically mention the
7 drought plan, the PFAS, the Governor's task force
8 PFAS plan; the Governor's GC3 recommendations in
9 the Governor's Plan of January 2021. The fact
10 that our plan is dated -- you know is older than
11 that really makes, to me makes a point.

12 VIRGINIA de LIMA: I think to Martin's point of a few
13 minutes ago, we should probably keep it very
14 general and say, other plan, related plans or
15 something like that because if we start listing
16 them we are, not only going to forget some, but
17 we're also going to be out of date within another
18 year.

19 LORI MATHIEU: You can say, such as. And Virginia, I'm
20 sorry to disagree -- but I would disagree.

21 My point is that it needs to be targeted and
22 people need to know what we're talking about. And
23 so when you're asking for that amount of money
24 that's not insignificant. Right?

25 And so I would like to be able to take a

1 sentence out of there and rattle off three or four
2 plans that were actually -- we work with, that we
3 actually do a lot of work and give ourselves
4 credit for.

5 So I'm sorry, but I don't like leaving it
6 general when it comes to asking for a
7 significant --

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. So Lori, why don't you get the
9 language you'd like to see before February and
10 shoot it to Virginia and --

11 LORI MATHIEU: I will draft it for you.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: I know exactly -- particularly I
13 agree -- I see Martin's hand up. I see
14 politically I think it's -- GC3, PFAS, those are
15 front and center right now and I think it will
16 really reinforce that.

17 Martin, you have a question?

18 MARTIN HEFT: No, just two comments to follow up with
19 Lori that may help. So in the in the first
20 paragraph of the executive summary where we say,
21 State's drinking water supply, the statute
22 actually mentions management of the water
23 resources of the State.

24 LORI MATHIEU: Bingo.

25 MARTIN HEFT: So if we use the language that is

1 actually in the statute, it covers us. So -- and
2 we say, management of the water resources of the
3 State instead of just State's drinking water,
4 because the plan itself is the management of water
5 resources.

6 LORI MATHIEU: That's right.

7 MARTIN HEFT: I think that will help with that piece.

8 And then the second piece -- as what Lori was
9 just mentioning on page 2, the priority future
10 actions. The things that are being talked about,
11 the council on climate change, the PFAS are all
12 listed there.

13 But what's missing from that future action
14 plan is an update to the state water plan. It's
15 not listed in that future action plan, and that
16 should be the number one thing in all these sub --
17 underneath of it.

18 DAVID RADKA: So that's under the -- up above on page
19 2, that's the critical. That's the second piece
20 of the critical actions to achieve successful
21 implementation. It's only one sentence.

22 Maybe we need to --

23 MARTIN HEFT: Oh, right. Yeah, okay. I mean, I was
24 just -- a better way to tie those together may be
25 on it that the rationale for updating the state

1 water plan is because of some of these future
2 actions.

3 So maybe somehow, Lori, looking at that line
4 that we can tie somehow together, they are -- so
5 yes, it is. They are. I'm just looking at a way
6 to tie it together better.

7 LORI MATHIEU: I agree.

8 MARTIN HEFT: I mean, I think that's what Lori's point
9 is.

10 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, I agree. Because I, again,
11 people's eyes are going to -- how many of these
12 reports are they skimming? Right? Legislators,
13 if they do look at it, they're going to go to this
14 bulleted point, these points.

15 MARTIN HEFT: Yeah.

16 LORI MATHIEU: And they're going to look at that and
17 they're going to say, okay. These are
18 interesting, yes, yes. I think we should add that
19 in there so it ties together.

20 MARTIN HEFT: I will just say, overall you guys did a
21 terrific job with this. These are just tweaks.
22 As knowing how legislators read this and how other
23 people read the documents and what they're going
24 to actually look at, these are all just suggested
25 things because we've been through this before.

1 I know all of us here on the Council have
2 been through this before knowing what legislators
3 are actually going to read and what they're going
4 to look at. So knowing the way to present it to
5 them so it hits that and they catch those points,
6 because obviously this will be a document as it's
7 going to get used when we go for the budget, and
8 need to support that.

9 This is going to be a document that's going
10 to be brought up in relation to that.

11 LORI MATHIEU: And Martin, you know there's that
12 committee that's ongoing, Connecticut's future and
13 development or development and future --

14 MARTIN HEFT: Yeah, which I cochair unbelievably.

15 LORI MATHIEU: That's right -- which you're on, which
16 is significant. Right?

17 MARTIN HEFT: Yes.

18 LORI MATHIEU: So if we have an out-of-date state water
19 plan for water resources, then that -- you know
20 doesn't help the effort.

21 MARTIN HEFT: Right.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Martin wears a lot of hats over at OPM.

23 LORI MATHIEU: And it's an important discussion that's
24 going on. Right?

25 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. So Lori, are you --

1 LORI MATHIEU: I'm going to give one little sentence.

2 So I'm going to mention the PFAS plan, the GC3 and
3 the drought plan.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

5 LORI MATHIEU: And I'm going to put dates on those.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

7 LORI MATHIEU: And I'll add it to that last paragraph
8 under update to the state water plan.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: And on the transmittal letter -- this is
10 very small point, but I would say you put my name
11 is the person to contact on the last line of the
12 letter. Any questions, contact me, the Chairman
13 of the Council at PURA, my number -- if that's
14 acceptable to everyone?

15 MARTIN HEFT: That was going to be my recommendation.

16 LORI MATHIEU: Sounds good.

17 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Sounds good.

18 VIRGINIA de LIMA: Lori, just a quick question. With
19 your reference to the drought plan and the GC3, et
20 cetera, you want links to those also?

21 Or just mention of them?

22 LORI MATHIEU: Oh, if we could that would be lovely.

23 Right? People actually want to see what they are.

24 Yes, if you can add in links.

25 VIRGINIA de LIMA: Dave, are those in the last, in the

1 appendix, the attachments?

2 **DAVID RADKA:** No. No, the draft that was sent to the
3 planning council had very few links. We were
4 waiting to have this discussion before Bruce
5 Wittchen volunteered nicely, that he's going to
6 set up links for all the reports since they don't
7 have any currently. And now that we've had this
8 conversation we'll be able to get him the
9 material, and he'll set up links to everything.

10 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Great. All right. I'd like to
11 entertain a motion that we approve the Water
12 Planning Council report on the status of the
13 implementation of the state water plan dated
14 January 2023 with the revisions provided by Lori
15 and Martin and Graham.

16 I'll entertain a motion.

17 **MARTIN HEFT:** So moved.

18 **CHRIS BELLUCCI:** Second.

19 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Motion made and seconded. If there are
20 any questions? Are we clear on what we're doing?

21 **LORI MATHIEU:** Did we address -- we didn't talk about
22 Graham's comment, unless I missed it.

23 Did we address Graham's?

24 **DAVID RADKA:** It was relatively straightforward, easy
25 to incorporate.

1 LORI MATHIEU: Which was what? Let's just say what it
2 was so that we --

3 DAVID RADKA: I'd have to pull it.

4 LORI MATHIEU: Because I haven't looked at that one.

5 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Yeah. I talked to him this morning,
6 Lori. It was it was to emphasize that the plan
7 was kind of going back in time. It wasn't just
8 for this year. It was an update since the state
9 water plan was adopted.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Since the inception of the plan.

11 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Since the inception of the plan. It
12 was just one sentence.

13 LORI MATHIEU: Where was that going to be?

14 MARTIN HEFT: Lori, at the end of -- it's on the
15 overview page. It's the paragraph that starts
16 Public Act 14-163. He added a line, this report
17 serves as an update of all actions conducted since
18 the plan was approved -- was the sentence he had
19 added.

20 It said, this report serves as an update of
21 all actions conducted since the plan was approved.

22 LORI MATHIEU: The plan was approved when?

23 MARTIN HEFT: 2019.

24 LORI MATHIEU: June? June of 2019?

25 MARTIN HEFT: June 5th of 2019, right.

1 LORI MATHIEU: Okay.

2 VIRGINIA de LIMA: I do just want to correct something
3 I said. I thanked people for putting together the
4 fact sheet, and I neglected to mention Kim Czapla
5 who was a key person in that. So I just wanted to
6 make sure that I credited her as well.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Virginia.

8 LORI MATHIEU: So are we certain that this report
9 captures everything since that time, if we're
10 going to say that?

11 DAVID RADKA: That was the intent. So that's why we
12 created the template that we shout out to every
13 working group chair that had been formed since
14 adoption of the plan, and also to the planning
15 council advisory group to get their take on things
16 that they have also initiatives they have
17 undertaken since that date.

18 What we did not do -- and we discussed it at
19 the last planning council meeting, was try to
20 parse out any specific individual agency
21 initiatives that are consistent with relying on
22 the plan. It was really not the base of this
23 report to cover those items.

24 LORI MATHIEU: The only thing I thought about was the
25 work that we've done with Mary Ann Dickinson.

1 VIRGINIA de LIMA: That's in there.

2 DAVID RADKA: That's in there.

3 LORI MATHIEU: And is it adequately covered?

4 DAVID RADKA: I think I wrote two very full paragraphs
5 about it.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: I read that, Lori.

7 LORI MATHIEU: Is that good?

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Yeah, I think it's fine.

9 I mean, your point is well taken, but you
10 don't want to get too far in the weeds with that
11 either, so.

12 LORI MATHIEU: No -- but that was so well done, and she
13 did such a great job. I don't know.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: I thought it was captured well.

15 LORI MATHIEU: Okay. All right.

16 MARTIN HEFT: It is in there.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't to cut off debate until we call
18 the vote. Any other comments before we call the
19 vote? Martin? Chris?

20 MARTIN HEFT: I'm good.

21 CHRIS BELLUCCI: No.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Lori?

23 LORI MATHIEU: All right. Last point and then I'll
24 stop.

25 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

1 LORI MATHIEU: We held two forums, I think, in
2 beautiful Portland -- and they were workshops and
3 Mary Ann was there.

4 Are those workshops noted, and maybe the
5 agendas for those meetings? Because those were
6 really important workshops and we were making
7 certain points about emphasis of water
8 conservation and water efficiency.

9 I was just thinking that when I read this
10 that was not one of my takeaways, but that was a
11 significant amount of work.

12 DAVID RADKA: If I may? I believe I know what you're
13 referencing. I think those were workshops that
14 were not part of the \$50,000 grant that the Water
15 Planning Council had to retain AWE. I think those
16 were things that Mary Ann did working with Dave
17 Kuzminski and others on the sustainability
18 committee, the Connecticut section of AWWA.

19 So I don't feel that -- we can certainly
20 incorporate it. I don't have enough information
21 about it to be able to draft that, but I don't
22 think it really fits with the overall purpose of
23 this report.

24 LORI MATHIEU: I thought part of her work was part of
25 that \$50,000. It was definitely related to it.

1 DAVID RADKA: It was certainly consistent with and they
2 had -- it was, you know, a conservation theme and
3 everything she was retained to do, but it was not
4 part of the grant money.

5 It wasn't part of that expenditure.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: I remember because I spoke at that, and
7 I see Dave, Dave Kuzminski is on the call. And I
8 remember, because we had people there from the
9 Institute for Sustainable Energy and it was a
10 different -- you know, the water energy nexus and
11 all that kind of thing.

12 So I don't know if you want to -- Dave, how
13 do you recall it?

14 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Jack? I believe that the meeting, I
15 think that was incorporated in part of what Mary
16 Ann was paid for, because I know a lot of her
17 travel expenses were paid by that grant from that
18 standpoint.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

20 DAVID KUZMINSKI: But you know, your point, the
21 sustainability workshop for anybody that wanted
22 that, that is up on YouTube. I put both of those
23 sessions basically up on YouTube. So for
24 anybody's perusing if they want to go --

25 THE CHAIRMAN: I mean, they were very, very good, and

1 very well attended -- if I remember correctly.

2 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Yes, they were.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: And a great venue, too.

4 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Yes, it was.

5 LORI MATHIEU: I just remember it being part of our
6 mission, like this was part of what we were saying
7 we were doing, like this was important for our
8 work and we were emphasizing water efficiency
9 working with Mary Ann.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Denise has raised her hand. Denise?

11 DENISE SAVAGEAU: Yeah, so the question I have, and the
12 way we've handled other reports is, do we have a
13 link to a summary of Mary Ann's? Or did she give
14 us a final report out on the work that she did?
15 Or is there a way that we can link to all of her
16 action?

17 I think that that would be the way to handle
18 this. It's the way we're handling all the other
19 detailed reports.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: I think that's a great idea. I think we
21 do. I'm sure we have some kind of final document
22 from her.

23 LORI MATHIEU: I like that idea, Denise.

24 DAVID RADKA: We have a number of documents from her,
25 but no final report and that's why on the appendix

1 B we left that with question marks following it to
2 see what people might recommend as far as creating
3 links.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Right. They're here. AWE links
5 to -- yeah.

6 LORI MATHIEU: So maybe we put a link to the YouTube
7 and a final report?

8 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Well, I think I have her
9 presentations. I can probably supply links to the
10 presentation, because I know she gave a link.

11 Vicky from Massachusetts also was there.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: That would be great.

13 LORI MATHIEU: That's right. Yeah.

14 VIRGINIA de LIMA: This opens a whole other issue, and
15 that at the beginning of this process -- and I
16 believe we discussed it with you, we made a
17 conscious decision to limit it to activities
18 related to the implementation of the state water
19 plan and not all things water.

20 Now, Dave was instrumental. David Kuzminski
21 was instrumental in orchestrating with Mary Ann.
22 It was separate from what she did as part of the
23 state water plan activities with that \$50,000.
24 That would lead me to say, well, why aren't we
25 doing the same thing with all the other

1 water-related meetings that have happened in the
2 state agencies and nonprofits and everything else
3 throughout the state, which obviously very quickly
4 becomes unmanageable?

5 So I think if we stick with this is water
6 plan only, then having linked to what was done
7 that -- that we're referring now would not be
8 appropriate.

9 MARTIN HEFT: So just -- as I may? So Virginia, on
10 that note is our statutory reporting is on the
11 development and implementation of the state water
12 plan and any updates, period. I mean, that is
13 what we're supposed to be reporting on in this
14 report, which I think you've captured in your
15 draft that you've provided to us.

16 LORI MATHIEU: My thought is the work with the Alliance
17 was very well done. It captured items in the
18 state water plan, to Martin's point, that we
19 needed to implement. And we've always talked
20 about conservation being one of the most important
21 items that we could work on, especially water
22 efficiency.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: I think we just put it to David to get
24 those links, the AWE links to page 14 that's part
25 of his appendix B. Because we have other reports

1 and there are green energy projects, final draft,
2 WPCAG. And so I think that would be okay.

3 MARTIN HEFT: Yeah, and we have the Alliance for Water
4 Efficiency in the reporting. So it can just be,
5 you know, it's the appendix to those.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Right.

7 MARTIN HEFT: To that paragraph, or a couple of
8 paragraphs we add in there.

9 DAVID RADKA: And Lori, just to confirm I did pull up
10 the actual time and expense summary that was
11 provided to us upon conclusion of their work and
12 it does not include the works that you're
13 referring to.

14 VIRGINIA de LIMA: Not to harbor -- or keep beating a
15 dead horse, or whatever the thing is, but the
16 Rivers Alliance has done periodic workshops. CWWA
17 Does workshops. There are a whole lot of
18 workshops that overlap a lot with the objectives
19 of the state water plan.

20 LORI MATHIEU: Again, from my point of view they were
21 impactful. They're important and they further our
22 work. And specifically myself, Jack, a bunch of
23 us presented, not just once but twice. So I just
24 think it's important.

25 THE CHAIRMAN: Yeah -- and I think we should. I mean,

1 this is something that hopefully we're going to
2 get some type of legislation approved that's part
3 of this whole background --

4 LORI MATHIEU: That's my point.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Yeah. So I think it should be included.
6 Martin, you okay with that?

7 Chris?

8 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Yeah, certainly.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Any other --

10 DAVID RADKA: Just may I confirm?

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

12 DAVID RADKA: Dave Kuzminski will provide links to the
13 pertinent materials?

14 THE CHAIRMAN: And slides as well. Okay?

15 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Okay.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Dave.

17 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Do you want links to the YouTube? Or
18 Mary Ann's presentations as well?

19 THE CHAIRMAN: I think both.

20 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Okay.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: If you can do it, please.

22 DAVID RADKA: I apologize. I've lost track of whether
23 or not you voted on the motion.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: We haven't voted yet. We're going to
25 vote right now --

1 LORI MATHIEU: It's still under discussion.

2 DAVID RADKA: I'll hold off. I'll hold off until you
3 vote and then I'll ask a final question.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Any other discussion before we
5 vote? Lori?

6 LORI MATHIEU: One question. Chair, do we need to
7 change the motion in any way?

8 THE CHAIRMAN: No, I don't think we do.

9 LORI MATHIEU: Okay.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: I'll ask Martin. I'll ask our
11 resident parliament -- Martin says no?

12 MARTIN HEFT: No, because we made the motions with the
13 corrections and additions that we've been
14 discussing here.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Chris, you all set?
16 Ready to vote?

17 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Yes.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. I'm going to call the question.
19 All those in favor of transmittal of the January
20 2023 report on the status of the implementation of
21 the state water plan to committees of cognizance
22 at the General Assembly, say aye.

23 THE COUNCIL: Aye.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Opposed?
25

1 (No response.)

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3 THE CHAIRMAN: The ayes have it. Congratulations.

4 Thank you very much again to the workgroup that
5 put this together and did just a dynamite job.

6 David, question -- David Radka?

7 DAVID RADKA: Right. So it's actually more procedural
8 now since you've approved that. So we've got the
9 various comments. We've got information. Lori is
10 going to make some suggested wording changes.
11 Dave Kuzminski is going to provide things. We're
12 going to need the fact sheet updated. I think we
13 have a good sense of where this is headed.

14 How do you want to manage that, and what's
15 the timeframe? Do you want us to -- I'm happy to
16 rework the document, send it back to you four
17 again, but do you need to -- how do you want to
18 actually sign off on it?

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Well --

20 DAVID RADKA: Do you want one shot at this? Or do you
21 want to have potential iterations?

22 THE CHAIRMAN: No, I think -- unless my colleagues
23 disagree, I think it's ready to go. I think that
24 with those revisions, I don't know if we want to
25 do hard signatures to it or just go the way it has

1 it.

2 And then it may be myself or Martin, and we
3 can then have our legislative people get it over.

4 LORI MATHIEU: Can we see a final document before it's
5 sent?

6 DAVID RADKA: Well, I was thinking we create a new
7 draft with a date on it, and then, you know, leave
8 it in your hands to remove the draft and put the
9 actual date on the letter of transmittal. And
10 (unintelligible) --

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

12 MARTIN HEFT: Yeah, I think that would be the best way.
13 Thanks, David. I think with the revisions that
14 we've talked about, Lori, getting you the, you
15 know, the language that she needs to on that, send
16 us kind of the final draft. We can do that.

17 And then, Jack, we can decide if we're going
18 to use electronic signatures or whatever we're
19 going to do on the transmittal of the letter.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Once we get the final
21 document back, Martin you and I can discuss how
22 we're going to get it over there.

23 All right. Any further discussion?
24

25 (No response.)

1 THE CHAIRMAN: Great work. Thank you all again. And
2 we're going to move on with the agenda to
3 implementation workgroup.

4 Virginia, do you have anything else? You've
5 been busy doing the --

6 VIRGINIA de LIMA: That, that report clearly has taken
7 a lot of our energies. In addition to that, as
8 you are aware, the ongoing topical sub workgroups
9 are the USGS data collection, data networks
10 analysis and also the education and outreach.

11 Chris, is there anything that you want to
12 share with the Councilors?

13 (Unintelligible) -- you're going to be
14 talking to yourself amongst others --

15 CHRIS BELLUCCI: Yeah, I can -- I can update quickly.
16 We had our second meeting in December. It went
17 really well. We got a lot of really good feedback
18 that we took notes on, on how the folks are using
19 the gauge and the data and initial gap analysis
20 kind of questions.

21 And we plan to -- we have a Doodle poll out
22 and are in the process of scheduling our January
23 meeting right now where we plan to take a deeper
24 dive into the topic areas. So we're moving along
25 very well.

1 THE CHAIRMAN: Excellent.

2 VIRGINIA de LIMA: And Denise, are there things that
3 you want to say about the education outreach
4 group? We're familiar with the themes that you
5 planned for 2023, but you can give us some of
6 their updates.

7 DENISE SAVAGEAU: Yeah. Actually they have it on the
8 agenda just a little bit further down. So I don't
9 know --

10 VIRGINIA de LIMA: Oh, okay. Okay.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Martin, we're all set with the drought
12 workgroup?

13 MARTIN HEFT: Just very quickly. We do have a meeting
14 this Thursday. At our last meeting which was on
15 December 8th we did still leave four counties as
16 stage one, Fairfield, New Haven, Lichfield, and
17 Hartford, due to our reservoir levels and public
18 water suppliers that were still in drought stages.

19 So we will be reviewing that this Thursday
20 and then continuing on with our other work.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Excellent. Thank you.

22 Denise?

23 DENISE SAVAGEAU: So the education and outreach
24 workgroup met today and we had sent I think in
25 November our work plan for 2023, which you guys

1 tentatively accepted. We asked you if there was
2 any comments.

3 The only comments I got back were from
4 Martin. He happened to be not at the meeting
5 where we presented. And just wanted to make sure
6 that when we were talking about drought materials
7 that we -- and working with UConn Clear and DEEP
8 education, that we were obviously working with the
9 Department of Public Health and whatever.

10 So we did just clarify that by putting in
11 that we're going to be working with the entire
12 Water Planning Council, you know, agencies as well
13 as these new partners.

14 So just quickly, it's been a while since
15 probably people looked at it. The work plan
16 includes, we're going to be planning for some
17 spring workshops focusing on climate change. And
18 the first workshop is going to be looking at that
19 quantity, flashy issues we have where at one
20 minute we're in a drought, and the next minute
21 we're having flooding conditions and then
22 following up with that.

23 Now how does that impact source water? You
24 know, what's the water quality aspects? What's
25 the water demand aspects? So kind of talking

1 about that in the fish-to-faucet theme. So those
2 will be our workshops in the spring.

3 And we're going to be working with the
4 Connecticut Envirothon program. Their program
5 this year is focused on climate change, and I
6 think that that's going to be a really good fit
7 for us in terms of education and outreach.

8 One of the members on the outreach and
9 education committee is also with the Connecticut
10 Envirothon program. And Sue Quincy, who works for
11 DEEP who we're working with on climate change also
12 is actually running their program, their section
13 of that program. So there's a lot of connection
14 there.

15 Again, we talked about the second thing we
16 were going to be working on is the drought
17 materials that was brought up. And we talked
18 about working with CLEAR. Mike Dietz at our
19 meeting today agreed to be our liaison with CIRCA
20 and CLEAR at UConn. And they're looking at
21 developing fact sheets on drought, specifically
22 those ones like -- well, what do we expect climate
23 change, you know, what's the exact science that
24 we're expecting?

25 And of course, we don't really know what the

1 exact science is going to be, but what is the
2 science behind what we're focusing on so that we
3 will have fact sheets on that? They have fact
4 sheets already on their website on sea level rise.
5 They have a fact sheet on temperature, and they
6 realized they didn't have one on drought. So they
7 agreed that they were going to do that.

8 And then again, working with Sue Quincy on
9 climate education materials that's mandated, and
10 she realized that the materials that DEP has
11 already put together also didn't have information
12 on drought. So we'll be looking at doing that and
13 really tying that also in, and as Dan always
14 reminds us, that there's a public health issue
15 around this too as we're talking about climate
16 change and these water resource issues.

17 It says to give you an update on the website
18 review. I know that David -- and as part of the
19 implementation work group sent you our assessment
20 of that, of the website. And it's a top-level
21 review that was led by Ali Hibbert, and looking at
22 that we needed to do two things with the website.
23 One is to make sure -- there's a lot of links that
24 are broken. So how to do that high level cleanup
25 of the website, but also look at what the audience

1 is.

2 Is this audience just for people who are
3 attending Water Planning Council meetings? Or do
4 we also want it accessible to the general public,
5 to the Legislature, for example, and the things
6 we're talking about? And how do we look at the
7 website that way?

8 There's been some discussion on, you know
9 like, well, do we wait? Do we wait until we have
10 a water planning chief? Who's going to be in
11 charge of this? But the website is here and now,
12 and we were, you know, when we're talking about,
13 for example, all the links, even to the annual
14 report we need to continue to look at the website.

15 So look at those recommendations. Again
16 there they're high level, but it is something we
17 need to think about and probably act on a little
18 bit closer who -- besides Bruce who's doing a
19 great job, but we really need to decide who's in
20 charge of the website. How do we get stuff on it,
21 and what needs to be on it? So there really needs
22 to be a real planning effort around that website.

23 We went into the logo and Ali -- as you know,
24 though, Ali Hibbert has been leading that. And as
25 you know the logo is approved by you as well as by

1 the Secretary of State. And so Ali is working on
2 how then we integrate those materials.

3 Obviously, they've been provided for the
4 annual report, but we're looking at how to make
5 those materials available. So that will be
6 forthcoming out of DEEP.

7 And then the last thing for our work is
8 outreach and jobs. And we kind of talked about
9 that and we had a big discussion on it today at
10 our meeting, and that had to do with how do we
11 talk about state water resources?

12 We know that every agency, the Department of
13 Public Health, DEEP, everyone is looking at
14 bringing folks into the pipeline in terms of
15 hiring staff, but how do we make sure people even
16 know that there's jobs in water resource
17 management and all of the work that we do, and
18 that bigger issue of environmental and working in
19 natural lands and land use planning, and making
20 sure that there's people who are considering these
21 jobs?

22 Interestingly enough, this was picked up by
23 Kelsey and the Envirothon, Connecticut Envirothon,
24 which is a high school -- a program for high
25 school students. And they are going to be looking

1 at what materials can they develop that will focus
2 on that. So we'll probably be talking with them,
3 again talking with Sue Quincy at Connecticut DEEP,
4 but looking at how this fits into what we're doing
5 with the state water plan.

6 Because we can do all the planning we want,
7 but if we don't have people to hire and
8 whatever -- so we're looking that we really need
9 to educate people about the state water plan, but
10 also the potential for jobs in terms of water
11 resources and actually diversifying our workforce.

12 So that's the plan that we have in place.
13 And again, we said we talked about the website and
14 I reviewed that during the plan. If anybody has
15 any further questions, I'm more than happy to
16 answer them.

17 DAVID KUZMINSKI: Hi, Denise. Dave Kuzminski here. I
18 put links for the workshops in the chat. I also
19 put links -- I don't know if you're aware of I've
20 also implemented a careers podcast basically that
21 I've been distributing out to all of the high
22 school guidance counselors and so forth. And I
23 put the link for that.

24 But I've had basically -- we're into the last
25 episode. We have 40 episodes up on the web right

1 now. And Denise, obviously we've had. Lori has
2 been on. I've also had the Commissioner Manisha
3 Juthani on as far as that. Betsy Gara, and you
4 can, you know, go down the list -- but basically
5 just highlighting careers.

6 The title of the podcast is basically the
7 future of the water and wastewater industry and
8 careers you didn't know about.

9 So basically I've been covering everything,
10 you know, from wastewater to conservation to
11 engineers, to lobbyists to, you know, meter
12 readers, the whole nine yards, HR people and also
13 both on the water and wastewater side -- so the
14 more that we can get that out of there.

15 You know I've been a big proponent of
16 succession planning for many years with my high
17 school water and people class and so forth. So
18 it's something that we definitely need to do and
19 keep promoting.

20 DENISE SAVAGEAU: All right. Thanks. That sounds
21 wonderful. So exactly what we need. And I keep
22 thinking that we need to have you on the outreach
23 and education committee.

24 DAVID KUZMINSKI: I'd be happy to.

25 DENISE SAVAGEAU: And we need to coordinate with AWWA

1 on that, and Lori. So (unintelligible) --

2 **DAVID KUZMINSKI:** Well, AWWA has picked up the podcast
3 nationally. Okay? As far as that goes.

4 And you know, just to shout out to everybody
5 that's on, on the meeting. If you want to be on
6 the podcast, it's basically -- they're about 20
7 minutes, 25 minutes and so forth.

8 But basically it's a little bit about, okay.
9 Tell me what your day job is about. Yeah, so
10 anybody who wants to be on, hit me up and I'd be
11 more than happy to get you on. I record. I have
12 my podcast studio. Basically it's in my music
13 store right here in Portland. You're more than
14 welcome to come down.

15 And we can get you up and I'll get you out on
16 the web.

17 **DENISE SAVAGEAU:** And if I could just ask that the
18 links that he put on there be shared. It's not as
19 easy to -- usually there's a little three dots
20 that you can click on and download the shares, but
21 you can't right now, so.

22 And not that I can't click on them --
23 although for anybody else, just make sure that
24 those get shared out as part of the minutes. That
25 would be helpful. Thank you.

1 DAVID KUZMINSKI: And I will dig up the presentations,
2 the slide decks from the sustainability conference
3 as well.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.

5 MARTIN HEFT: So Jack, just one thing to follow up on
6 that. And thank you, Denise, for that and all the
7 work regarding the website and everything.

8 Just as a couple of thoughts on that is -- as
9 we know, Bruce has done a lot with the website and
10 everything else. And when we had to convert over
11 to the new website design and actually hear that
12 there might be another one coming -- but I'm not
13 positive on that -- that we do have to follow
14 certain guidelines and setup and everything,
15 because it is a state website. It's supposed to
16 follow certain formats, everything.

17 So we do have some limitations, but we do
18 also have some flexibility -- so obviously, want
19 to be able to work with whatever to make sure it's
20 advantageous for everybody.

21 A couple of things. As you mentioned if we
22 should get funding in the new budget, obviously
23 that could be something that someone could be
24 worked on, assigned to that.

25 Also one of my other thoughts is looking at

1 an intern from one of our state agencies that
2 might be able to kind of revamp the website, if
3 you will. And kind of giving them a core task of
4 doing in that sense as well. So just a couple of
5 things to keep in mind, but thank you for the work
6 on this.

7 DENISE SAVAGEAU: Thanks, Martin. And I think the
8 annual report and the discussion we had with all
9 the links that were needed for the annual report
10 just reinforces the work.

11 And again, thank you to Ali Hibbert and the
12 folks that she worked with who kind of conducted
13 this review of the website. Because I think it
14 really is important and what we have found from
15 the outreach and education committee is anytime we
16 try to do something, if the website isn't
17 functioning we are -- it limits what we can do.

18 And it's not a good reflection on, not just
19 our work, but the work of the Water Planning
20 Council. And like I said, just looking at the
21 annual report and we're saying, what's the best
22 way to make the report short and sweet, but get it
23 to the Legislature, it's to have links.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Right.

25 DENISE SAVAGEAU: And we need to make sure those links

1 are up and functioning and work. So thank you.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Excellent. Okay. Very good. Thank you
3 very much, Denise.

4 LORI MATHIEU: Could I put one plug in to Denise and
5 her group for the year '24? I know it's a year
6 from now, but things have to be planned.

7 The Safe Drinking Water Act was passed. You
8 know their 50th anniversary is the year '24. So
9 if we can start maybe a little bit of planning, I
10 don't know, you know, something we should think
11 about.

12 DENISE SAVAGEAU: We will definitely -- we will, you
13 know, we're always looking at a theme. We usually
14 start in September for the next year thinking
15 about the theme.

16 So we will definitely put that in our records
17 and have that on our plate.

18 LORI MATHIEU: Awesome. That would be my suggestion.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Excellent idea.

20 DENISE SAVAGEAU: Got that down, Karen? I can see
21 you're looking at me.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Excellent.

23 LORI MATHIEU: Beautiful. Thank you.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Moving on to the Water Planning
25 advisory group. Alecia, Dan?

1 DAN LAWRENCE: I think Alicia is here. She's been on
2 and off a couple of times. Alicia, are you there?

3
4 (No response.)

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6 DAN LAWRENCE: Okay. She had all the notes, but I can
7 get through this -- I think.

8 So we had a meeting on the 20th of December.
9 Actually surprisingly good attendance for a
10 meeting as late as that in the year. We had a
11 couple conversations, I just need to pull some
12 notes because I thought Alecia was on -- so give
13 me two seconds.

14 And we have -- hopefully Carol is here to
15 talk about it. I know Karen, I see you -- and
16 talk about the lands group.

17 We had a few conversations around -- well,
18 again the watershed land group, the nominating
19 committee and the annual report summaries. A
20 pretty general meeting -- and there was a number
21 of things.

22 Karen, do you want to talk about the
23 watershed land group that you're on?

24 KAREN BURNASKA: Sure. You know, just quickly we gave
25 an update of the meeting, which I believe I had

1 spoken at the last Water Planning Council meeting
2 on how our December 9th watershed lands workgroup
3 meeting went.

4 And just as a follow up to that, just to let
5 the Water Planning Council know that we are
6 continuing to review the transfer of -- the state
7 agency transfer of surplus land, and we hope at
8 the next watershed lands workgroup meeting to
9 invite some agency staff, so they could -- the
10 DEEP, DOT, so they could explain to us the
11 process, the review process that they use to
12 evaluate land that they are going to recommend for
13 transfer.

14 And also we'd like to get some information
15 from them on how we can work on how these land
16 transfers and how they can better reflect the
17 State's priorities and principles in the
18 preservation of open space -- one.

19 And the second thing, that just to mention
20 that if you're not -- I guess you have to be in --
21 I know you have to be in Hartford on Thursday
22 morning at 9 a.m., but Thursday morning at 9 a.m.
23 is the DPH hearing on the MDC's request for a
24 declaratory ruling on the Colebrook Reservoir.

25 It is an in-person only. You cannot call in.

1 There's no Zoom link that we've been made aware
2 of. Only the parties in the case can participate.
3 And as of, I believe it was December 13th, the MDC
4 did issue a request for a change in the
5 declaratory ruling statement. So you know that's
6 something that we will continue to follow.

7 And I do see that Margaret is on. I didn't
8 know -- I know she was traveling. I don't know if
9 you're in the car, Margaret. I don't know if you
10 can talk or -- and if not, we'll just let it go at
11 that -- but I see you.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: And Alicia just texted. She's somewhere
13 in Texas.

14 DAN LAWRENCE: Yeah, she's in Texas with a family
15 situation.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: And her hotspot is not working.

17 ALICEA CHARAMUT: Yeah. The wind is blowing and I keep
18 losing my signal.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Oh, there she is.

20 KAREN BURNASKA: I'll let you go, Alecia, because I
21 don't think Margaret can get on either.

22 DAN LAWRENCE: Okay. Well, just a couple other odds
23 and ends. I don't know if Carol is on, on the
24 nominating committee, but I didn't see her on.
25 Unless -- oh, there you are.

1 CAROL HASKINS: I'm here.

2 DAN LAWRENCE: All right. Carol, you want to give us a
3 quick update on the nominating committee?

4 CAROL HASKINS: Sure. We have a recruit for the
5 agricultural representative, thanks to some
6 outreach by Aaron. And we'll be bringing that
7 name forward to the advisory group this month, and
8 be ready to pass that up to the Council for
9 approval in February.

10 DAN LAWRENCE: Thanks, Carol.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Excellent news.

12 DAN LAWRENCE: It's hard to get it all full, but Carol
13 is doing a good job on the team.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Carol.

15 DAN LAWRENCE: So that's the update there. I guess the
16 bigger is we want to thank Virginia for all of her
17 work on the Water Planning Council advisory group.
18 She had her last meeting on the 20th. We said
19 thank you then, but we'll say thank you here as
20 well for all your years of service.

21 So thanks again, Virginia.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: We'll keep her busy.

23 DAN LAWRENCE: Yeah, she seems awfully busy. Alecia
24 and Dave, I'm not going to retire -- if you guys
25 are going to do that in your retirement, so.

1 And then there was a few comments at our last
2 meeting just on different events mostly from
3 Denise; the 2023 environmental summit to be held
4 by the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters
5 and an upcoming presentation on climate justice in
6 Connecticut down in Greenwich. And then Carol
7 Haskins forgot to mention the Institute for
8 American Indian Studies in Washington has a
9 temporary exhibit on water is life.

10 So just some interesting things going on out
11 there in the world that I thought you might be
12 interested in. So I believe that's all we have --
13 unless Alicia can get any more I think from Texas,
14 but --

15 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you, Dan.

16 Alecia?

17 **ALICEA CHARAMUT:** It sounds like you covered
18 everything. Thanks, Dan.

19 **DAN LAWRENCE:** Yeah.

20 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you both very much. That
21 concludes our regular agenda items. The only
22 other business -- our next meeting is February
23 2nd, but I would like to bring up to my colleagues
24 on the Council that Maureen Westbrook, as you all
25 know, retired December 31st. I believe it was her

1 last day.

2 And I would like to recognize her for her
3 years of service and the dedication to the water
4 world. She's very passionate about the business.
5 She was polite to work with, and I'd like to at
6 our next -- I'm going to see if we can have an
7 in-person meeting here in February.

8 I'll check with our Chairman. I think we
9 have in-person Aquarion -- as Dan knows, we had an
10 in-person Aquarion water rate hearing. So I think
11 we'll probably do it -- I thought maybe
12 (unintelligible) -- and I'd like to present her
13 with recognition on behalf of the Council.

14 And Martin said he would help get a
15 proclamation for us from his office.

16 MARTIN HEFT: Yes. Just get me the details.

17 LORI MATHIEU: And I was supposed to get a blurb. I
18 think I was supposed to get a blurb from people,
19 which I did not -- so.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: And there's a retirement dinner for her
21 next -- a week from tomorrow.

22 Lori, are you aware of that?

23 LORI MATHIEU: I think so.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. So are the Councilmembers in
25 agreement with that, that we can recognize her?

1 LORI MATHIEU: Jack, would it be in-person? It would
2 also be hybrid, I would imagine?

3 THE CHAIRMAN: I think we would probably do both, yes.

4 LORI MATHIEU: Okay. Yeah.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Martin, do we need a motion for
6 that? To present, to recognize her?

7 MARTIN HEFT: If you want to make it official, I'll
8 make a motion.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Make a motion -- and a second, Lori?

10 LORI MATHIEU: Yes.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Motion made and seconded that we
12 recognize Maureen Westbrook for her years of
13 dedication and service to the water industry at
14 our next meeting. Any questions?

15 LORI MATHIEU: One thing I would add is dedication to
16 the water industry, but dedication to the Water
17 Planning Council. Right?

18 THE CHAIRMAN: And I'm embarrassed. What did we call
19 what we gave Margaret? Margaret was our first
20 recipient.

21 Was it the water drop award? What was it?
22 Was it the water drop?

23 A little trivia here.

24 LORI MATHIEU: What did we call it?

25 THE CHAIRMAN: Was it the water drop award? Karen, do

1 you remember?

2 KAREN BURNASKA: I don't think it was, but it was like

3 the water --

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Water something.

5 KAREN BURNASKA: Yes.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: I've got to go back. I'll --

7 LORI MATHIEU: We have to look at that, yeah.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: We'll figure it out. I'll check. I'll

9 work with Alecia to get it, because that's what we

10 want to give her, whatever that was.

11 Lori, do you have something else?

12 LORI MATHIEU: No, I'm just saying that for her, for

13 Maureen's time, she was with Water Planning

14 Council for a long time.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: She was cochair.

16 LORI MATHIEU: The cochair for -- I don't know how many

17 years.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Right at the beginning, a lot of years.

19 LORI MATHIEU: Yeah, at the very beginning. Yeah.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Richard Hanratty has a question.

21 RICHARD HANRATTY, JR.: Yeah. Hi, everybody. Rich

22 Hanratty, Connecticut Water Company.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Oh. Hi, Rich.

24 RICHARD HANRATTY, JR.: How you doing? If anyone needs

25 anything Maureen related, she obviously doesn't

1 work for Connecticut Water anymore.

2 But I did put together a blurb with some
3 biographical info.

4 LORI MATHIEU: Okay.

5 RICHARD HANRATTY, JR.: Just contact me, e-mail me
6 Richard.Hanratty@CTWater.com. And if anyone needs
7 anything I'll be happy to supply it.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Oh, that's great, Rich.

9 RICHARD HANRATTY, JR.: Thank you.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Martin, did we vote on the motion?

11 LORI MATHIEU: Rich, send that to Jack and I, please?

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes. Martin, did we vote on my motion?

13 MARTIN HEFT: Not yet.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Rich.

15 All those in favor of voting on the
16 to-be-determined award from the Water Planning
17 Council, signify by saying, aye?

18 THE COUNCIL: Aye.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Opposed?

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21 (No response.)

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23 THE CHAIRMAN: The motion carried.

24 Okay, any other public comment before we
25 adjourn?

1 (No response.)

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3 THE CHAIRMAN: If not, I thank you all.

4 This was a very productive meeting for the
5 first meeting of the year. And again, hats off to
6 those that worked on making the annual report a
7 reality on time, to my colleagues for getting
8 their comments in on time.

9 And I wish everybody a great first month of
10 the year.

11 And with that I will entertain a motion to
12 adjourn?

13 MARTIN HEFT: So moved.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Second?

15 LORI MATHIEU: Second.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: All those in favor signify by saying,
17 aye.

18 THE COUNCIL: Aye.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, everybody.

20 MARTIN HEFT: Thank you.

21 LORI MATHIEU: Thank you. Happy New Year.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Happy New Year.

23 KAREN BURNASKA: Happy new year.

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25 (End: 2:55 p.m.)

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