

Meeting Minutes  
 Central WUCC Meeting #19  
 MDC Training Center – 125 Maxim Road, Hartford, CT  
 December 13, 2017 1:30 p.m.

The Central Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) met on December 13, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at the MDC Training Center at 125 Maxim Road, Hartford, Connecticut. Notice of the meeting was sent to WUCC members and posted on the DPH website <http://www.ct.gov/dph>.

The following WUCC member representatives were in attendance (listed in alphabetic order of affiliation):

WUCC Member Representative	Affiliation
Kenneth Skov	Aquarion Water Company
Ray Jarema	Berlin Water
Mary Ellen Kowalewski	Capitol Region Council of Governments
David Radka	Connecticut Water Company
Jessica Demar	Connecticut Water Company
William Jarzavec	Cromwell Fire District
Bill Milardo	Town of Durham
James Ventres	Town of East Haddam
Tim Smith	East Hampton WPCA
Brendan Avery	Hazardville Water Company
Patrick Kearney	Town of Manchester
David Kuzminski	Town of Portland
Rose Gavrilovic	Regional Water Authority
Eugene Koss	Tolland Water
Neil Amwake	Wallingford Water Division

The following non-WUCC member representatives were in attendance (listed in alphabetic order of affiliation):

Non-WUCC Member Representative	Affiliation
Rich Iozzo	CT Department of Public Health
Jeanine Gouin	Milone & MacBroom, Inc.
Guy Russo	Prime AE Group
Jason Coite	UConn

The following actions took place:

**1. Welcome & Roll Call**

- The meeting was called to order at 1:32 PM by Co-chair David Radka of the Connecticut Water Company. A roll call was conducted in which everyone stated their name and affiliation.

## **2. Approval of November Meeting Minutes**

- The minutes for the November meeting were unanimously approved. Rose Gavrilovic from Regional Water Authority, Jim Ventres from East Haddam, and Patrick Kearney from Manchester abstained from voting, as they were not present at the November meeting.

## **3. Review of Formal Correspondence**

The following correspondences were logged subsequent to the November meeting of the Central WUCC:

- November 21, 2017 – The Department of Public Health sent a letter to Greybill Properties informing them of well use approval for their requested wellsite 1.
- December 8, 2017 – The Metropolitan District Commission sent an email correspondence to Milone & MacBroom Inc. about analysis of potential impacts from streamflow regulations.

## **4. Integrated Report Review and Discussion**

- Jeanine Gouin from Milone & MacBroom, Inc. requested that all WUCC members continue to send data for their systems. She also requested data from each system regarding total safe yield be provided. The intent is to present the Integrated Report in such a manner that is not required to be redacted.
- Neil Amwake from Wallingford asked if small systems should be treated separately from medium and large systems. He stated that these systems should not be put in a subsection of the medium and large systems.
  - Ms. Gouin replied that small systems were not separated in the Southeastern Connecticut WUCC, but a separate section may make sense.
- Mr. Amwake stated that interconnections should be identified when potentially going across WUCC boundary lines into another water management area.
  - Ms. Gouin noted the integrated statewide plan should identify such occurrences.
- Mr. Kearney stated the data presented by the WUCC displaying water usage by town boundary should be used carefully since it could be used out of context.
  - Ms. Gouin indicated that appropriate qualifiers and assumptions would be presented with such data to avoid mis-interpretations to the greatest extent possible.
- Mr. Radka asked the WUCC whether members had calculated the impact the new streamflow regulations will have on safe yield.
  - Mr. Amwake stated Wallingford disagrees with the maximum day and peak demand calculations. He stated the new calculations will require potentially drilling new wells

downstream of reservoirs. These wells will likely be located near the stream that Wallingford will be required to release water into.

- Mr. Radka stated that the Water Resources Committee has previously had discussions with DPH on available supply calculations and will be meeting again to discuss. He will add Wallingford to future meeting invitations.
- Mr. Amwake stated that even though new sources may need to be added, the usage in Wallingford has continued to decrease.
- A discussion ensued as to the appropriate planning estimate for reduction in surface water supplies as a result of the streamflow regulations. The group was in favor of using 15% to 20%, recognizing that the impacts would be system specific.
- Mr. Radka noted that a recent USGS water use report indicates that the residential per capita water use in CT is roughly 35 gallons per capita per day, which leads the nation in low water use. The national average is around 63 gallons per capita per day. This does not take into account commercial sales or non-revenue water.
- Kenneth Skov from Aquarion Water Company stated that from conservation, their usage has gone down around 10-11%.
- Mr. Kearney stated that it might be possible to use wastewater releases into streams to cover the new streamflow regulations.
- Mr. Radka stated an area in Tylerville is looking to model their plan around the clean-up in Durham. The earliest this site would be completed is expected to be the latter part of 2018 or into 2019.
- Ms. Gouin stated that the “red” systems from the DPH scorecards need to be addressed in the Integrated Report.
- Tim Smith from East Hampton WPCA stated that the main reason East Hampton doesn’t have a system in town is that no one has ever been forced to integrate systems or put one in. He suggested the WUCC make a recommendation that the Health Department take a greater stand.
- Ray Jarema from Berlin Water stated that their Planning and Zoning Committees give the water department a chance to comment on any new systems going in.
- Eugene Koss from the town of Tolland stated that he doesn’t see the WUCC having the power to regulate commercial systems. The state is the entity that should be regulating commercial properties.
- Mr. Kearney stated that any real change in this area would not happen until the state has money to implement something.

**5. Next Step and Timeline**

- Ms. Gouin stated the WUCC is asking for comments prior to the February meeting. The WUCC will discuss public comments at the March meeting, the draft final review at the April Meeting, and the final adoption at the May meeting.

**6. Public Comment**

- There was no public comment.

**7. Other Business**

- The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brendan Avery, Recording Secretary – Central WUCC