

1 **CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**
2 **CLEAN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
3 **MAY 10, 2018**
4 **Meeting Notes**

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6 A meeting of the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission’s Clean Water Advisory Committee
7 was held on Thursday, May 10, 2018 in the Conference Room of the Central Vermont Regional
8 Planning Commission.

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10 Committee Members Present:

- 11 Karen Bates – ANR
12 Dona Bate – Montpelier City Council
13 Russ Barrett – Northfield Conservation Commission
14 Michael Gray – Woodbury/CVRPC Board of Commissioners
15 John Hoogenboom – Moretown Selectboard
16 Ann Smith – Private Consultant
17 Ron Krauth – Middlesex/ Board of Commissioners
18 John Brabant – Calais/ Board of Commissioners
19 Larry Becker- Middlesex Conservation Commission
20 Stewart Clark – Worcester Planning Commission

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23 Committee Members Absent:

- 24 Michele Braun – Friends of Winooski River
25 Brian Shupe – Friends of Mad River
26 Corrina Parnapy – Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District

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28 Others Present:

29 None

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31 **CALL TO ORDER**

32 Pam DeAndrea called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

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34 **CHANGES OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

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36 Add longevity of group to the ending questions.

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38 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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40 No members of the public were present.

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42 **DISCUSSION OF RULES OF PROCEDURE**

43 Pam DeAndrea went over the draft rules of procedure.

44 Membership: agreed that there will be 3 Commissioners and 1 alternate

45 Stewart: Would like to add that politics should not enter into our decisions. Add to advisory role.

46 Edit last paragraph to read that CWAC is a special committee and that they are subject to the
47 Commission’s bylaws.

48 Circulate via email final rules of procedure before sending to Board.
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1 **BASIN PLAN**

2 Basin Plan: Karen explained why it is called “Tactical” Basin Plan. Pam explained the process and
3 timeline.

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5 Karen gave overview of sectors addressed in the plan. Ag, Forest, Developed, shoreline development,
6 invasives. Stormwater master plans, priority projects are easy to identify. We could recommend more
7 projects be added to those plans or recommend other plans.

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9 Road project prioritizations. Need TAC cooperation. Not much money for larger projects.

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11 Ag sector works hard because they have direction and funding for reducing P loading. Agency of Ag,
12 NRCS, UVM Extension, and Conservation Districts: are all helping farmers meet regulations.
13 Missisquoi Basin – loads of resources there. Winooski – plan can point to where the work should be
14 done. Can look at landslide investigations in relation to farm runoff, i.e., if the runoff causing
15 gullies/landslides. Also grazing could be worked on with farmers.

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17 Stewart – landslide identification should not indicate benefiting future development. REWORD in
18 objectives to reflect that it is a restriction on development.

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20 Silviculture – stormwater runoff reduction. County Foresters help loggers, landowners. Old logging
21 roads don’t get closed out appropriately. ANR NCRS grant can help fund those.

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23 Landslide and gullies: don’t fit into implementation categories nicely. Request form this group – what is
24 the state of the gully? Do we fund it or is it too big?

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26 Please focus on Implementation Table: Table 37, when reviewing the TBP.

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28 Stewart – Can we look at why we are looking at lakeshores when there is such a small part of Lake
29 Champlain? Karen will look into that.

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31 **TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING**

32 Basin Plan

33 Project Prioritization Process?

34 Stewart: Groundwater? Why not included? Karen: if surface water problem, then will look to
35 groundwater as a source. Perhaps a recognition of transport mechanism of groundwater should be
36 included in the Plan.

37 Acid rain – surface waters impacted are mentioned in the plan.

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39 **SCHEDULE**

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41 Thursdays: Next meeting June 14, 2018. Email everyone that the draft is done so they can pick up 2
42 weeks before meeting.

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44 **TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP**

45 Russ – here 6 months/year – 2 years

46 Ann – 1 year

47 Dona – 2 years

- 1 John – 2 years
- 2 Ron – 2 years
- 3 Michael -1 year
- 4 Amy – 1 year
- 5 Stewart – 1 year
- 6 Larry – 1 year
- 7 John – 2 years

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9 **FINAL NOTES**

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11 Longevity of CWAC – as long as there is funding for clean water projects and funding for the CVRPC
12 to have this group, we will continue.

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14 Please have Karen give us a list of where to focus in plan and how to prioritize what we focus on.
15 Pam will compile comments on the Basin Plan and provide them in the packet.

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17 Pam will share a list of contacts and emails with the group.

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