

1 **CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**
2 **CLEAN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
3 **November 14, 2019**
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 November 14, 2019 in the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission Office.
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9 Committee Members Present:

- 10 Amy Hornblas – CWAC Chair, Cabot/Board of Commissioners
11 John Hoogenboom – Moretown Selectboard
12 Stewart Clark – Worcester Planning Commission
13 Larry Becker- Middlesex Conservation Commission
14 Dona Bate – Montpelier City Council
15 Ron Krauth – Middlesex/Board of Commissioners

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17 Committee Members Absent:

- 18 Michele Braun – Friends of Winooski River
19 Karen Bates – ANR
20 Corrie Miller – Friends of the Mad River
21 Brian Shupe – Friends of the Mad River
22 Gianna Petito - Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District
23 Rich Turner – Williamstown Planning Commission/Board of Commissioners
24 Russ Barrett – Northfield Conservation Commission
25 Joyce Manchester – Moretown TAC
26 John Brabant – Calais/Board of Commissioners

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28 Others Present:

29 None.
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31 **CALL TO ORDER**

32 Amy Hornblas called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.
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34 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

35 The CWAC discussed lack of members coming and not making up a quorum. Pam mentioned that
36 watershed groups are not coming and the committee may want to think about why. Pam mentioned one
37 reason was the resolution letter not fitting into their missions. Amy offered to reach out to them.
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39 **CHANGES OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

40 None. Will vote on minutes if John B. gets here.
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42 **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 12 MINUTES**

43 No quorum. Could not vote on minutes.
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45 **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 10 MINUTES**

46 No quorum. Could not vote on minutes.
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48 **CWAC RESOLUTION LETTER TO BOARD (DRAFT NUMBER 5)**

49 Amy provided team with Joyce’s comments. Make each point a declarative sentence.
50 Larry – change the word mitigate. We do not mitigate as a charge, we advise actions.
51 Stew – provided comments via email as well and went over his changes. He thought we should mention
52 the unfair burden and that the greatest loading is not receiving the most funding.

1 Amy mentioned that Joyce had a comment related to the expenditures.
2 John H. – just remove the unfair burden comment and make the bullet under #1 and make #3, #2. Make
3 Stew’s comment on municipalities required to spend more be the third bullet.
4 Pam mentioned that they may not want to have a blanket statement regarding municipalities. Some
5 treatments are expensive AND have a significant reduction. Group decided that they could add “some”
6 or “many” to the beginning of the statement so as not to say all treatments that municipalities do are not
7 effective.
8 For bullet under new #2, remove “for example”.
9 Larry – can’t say that neonicotinoids is a “significant” contaminant and “threaten”. Not enough
10 research on this yet. Reword.
11 Amy mentioned that Joyce had a revision in bullet under #5.
12 Get rid of the word concerns in #6.
13 Make #7 say solutions. The content in #7 was discussed and revised.
14 John H. – we really need to talk about stormwater more. Trees are key in terms of controlling
15 stormwater.
16 Pam mentioned that stormwater reduction is a strategy in the Basin Plan.
17 John H. – we need stronger regulations for forestry practices to reduce stormwater runoff. Add that to
18 the solutions.
19 Dona – get rid of soft language. “we feel, etc.”
20 The conclusion sentences were revised to be more forceful.
21 Spell Worcester correctly.
22 Amy will send out a revised letter for voting next time when we have quorum to vote.
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24 Could not vote on letter due to no quorum.
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26 **BASIN 14 PUBLIC DISCUSSION SUMMARY**

27 Pam went over the Basin 14 basin plan kickoff meeting that happened the previous night in Bradford
28 that was viewed at CVRPC and will share the presentation with the committee.
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30 **DESIGN IMPLEMENTATION BLOCK GRANTS**

31 Pam went over the block grants they are currently writing for this block grant program:
32 Calais Post Office, Moscow Woods Gully, Woodbury Fire Station/Post Office, and Church Street in
33 Woodbury. She mentioned that Gianna of WNRCD is working with Morse Farm to get some
34 stormwater and livestock exclusion assistance there and that Duxbury would also like a block grant for
35 one of their road projects in the SWMP.
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37 **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

38 None.
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40 **SCHEDULE**

41 Next meeting December 12, 2019. Topic for next meeting - letter vote and Act 76.
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43 Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm.