CVRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Minutes March 24, 2016

Barre City: Scott Bascom -	Northfield: - Jeff Schultz - Absent
Barre Town: Harry Hinrichsen -	Orange: Lee Cattaneo
Berlin: – Bob Wernecke -	Plainfield: Bob Atchinson
Cabot: Kevin Lehoe – Absent	Roxbury: Gerry D'Amico - Absent
Calais: David Ellenbogen	Waitsfield: Don LaHaye
Duxbury:	Warren: - Absent
East Montpelier: Frank Pratt -	Washington: Ray McCormack - Absent
Fayston: Kevin Russell -	Waterbury: Steve Lotspeich -
Marshfield: - Absent	Williamstown: Larry Hebert -
Middlesex: Ronald Krauth -	Woodbury:
Montpelier: - Dona Bate -	Worcester: Bill Arrand - Absent
Moretown: Joyce Manchester - Absent	Staff: Steve Gladczuk
Others: Jessie Baker, Harold Garabedian - Montpelier	
Bram Towbin - Plainfield; Sasha Bianchi - VDH	

Meeting started at 7:05

1. Introductions

2. Agenda Adjustments and Public Comments

Agenda Item 6 was moved to Item 3.

3. Montpelier Multi-Modal Center

Jessie Baker, Asst. City Manager, gave an overview of the project. The TAC asked questions. The parking is for the residential apartments, there is no public parking on site, and there is no long term public parking in Montpelier. Grey Hound riders currently get dropped off. The building is designed to handle a 500 year flood. The size of the building is comparable to surrounding structures. Taylor St. will be rebuilt, including sidewalks and turn lanes. The retaining wall will be re-built. It will be a net zero building with solar panels on the roof. The City is negotiating with the MM Beverage Owners to move into a new building, next to the current location. The bike path will be extended along the river, cross the river, and built through the existing VT Assoc. of the Blind and MM Beverage buildings.

4. Approve February TAC Minutes

Bob W. motioned, Dona seconded, Steve L. suggested edits & the TAC voted to approve the minutes with edits.

5. Prioritize VTrans Transportation Projects

The TAC reviewed the Town Highway Bridge Program. Bram, Plainfield Select Board Chair, explained why the Village bridges need to be replaced. In recent events the Brook Rd. Bridge would jam with debris, flood water would go around the bridge. We are lucky buildings weren't lost. A Study recommended enlarging the bridges. FEMA will only pay to replace the existing, but that doesn't address the repetitive damage that occurs in the Village. Bob A. discussed moving the bridge up on the priority list. Lee stated the Town should apply for Hazard Mitigation Funds. Don motioned to approve the priorities as presented. Larry seconded, and Bob A. asked to amend the motion to move the bridge up. Kevin seconded the motion. Bob W. stated the US 2 Bridges should be considered State Bridges. Dona opposed the amendment, which passed. The Brook Rd. Bridge was moved above the Montpelier US 2 Bridges. The original motion passed, with Dona opposed.

6. High Risk Rural Road Program

Bob W. made a motion to put the Barre Town Middle Rd. and Fayston German Flats Rd. is the Program. Dave suggested Pekin Brook Rd. instead. Kevin seconded and the motion passed. Dave was opposed.

7. Future TAC Meeting Topics

Staff asked if the TAC would like to meet at the Oct. 26, 6:30 Public Meeting on the East Montpelier US 2/VT 14 Bridge Intersection Project at U32. The TAC agreed it would be interesting.

The Meeting ended at 9:00.