CVRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Minutes June 28, 2016

| Barre City: Scott Bascom - | Northfield: - Jeff Schultz - Absent |
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| Barre Town: Harry Hinrichsen - Absent | Orange: Lee Cattaneo - |
| Berlin: - Bob Wernecke - Absent | Plainfield: Bob Atchinson - |
| Cabot: Kevin Lehoe – Absent | Roxbury: Gerry D'Amico - Absent |
| Calais: David Ellenbogen | Waitsfield: Don LaHaye - Absent |
| Duxbury: | Warren: - Absent |
| East Montpelier: Frank Pratt - Absent | Washington: Ray McCormack - Absent |
| Fayston: Kevin Russell - | Waterbury: Steve Lotspeich - |
| Marshfield: - Absent | Williamstown: Larry Hebert - |
| Middlesex: Ronald Krauth - | Woodbury: |
| Montpelier: - Dona Bate - Absent | Worcester: Bill Arrand - Absent |
| Moretown: Joyce Manchester - Abscent | Staff: Steve Gladczuk, Bonnie Waninger |
| Others: | |
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Meeting started at 7:00

1. Introductions

2. Agenda Adjustments

Staff announced that GMT was conducting a system assessment. The TAC will discuss the details as Agenda Item 4a.

3. Public Comments

The TAC wondered how the Barre Montpelier Road Diet was going. Staff has only heard good comments from people that use the road. Others agreed that it improved conditions, and didn't have an effect on travel. A TAC member who has bicycled the road before and after, stated that it is more comfortable with the separated lanes. There was some discussion on what motorized bicycles should be doing.

4. Approve April TAC Minutes

It was discussed the minutes should clarify that the Executive members of the TAC wanted to advocate funding consultants for special studies. Larry motioned, Ron seconded, the TAC voted to approve the minutes.

4a. GMT Study

GMTA will conduct an comprehensive assessment of the Urban and Rural bus services, and recommend alternatives for improvements. This would be a full system redesign, considering different funding scenarios. One idea being considered is use of Bridj system to create a better demand response system. Staff will email the scope of work, requesting comments by early next week.

5. Review FY 16 Work Program Adjustment

Staff pointed out changes, which included Federal compliance training, buying equipment, housing & transportation affordability analysis, participating in Emergency Management & Local Hazard Mitigation Planning, organizing a Knapp Airport Committee, and supporting municipal stormwater management plans. Bob made a motion to approve the FY 16 Adjusted work program and budget. Kevin seconded, and the motion passed

6. Review FY 17 Work Program

Staff reported that the format had changed, the work program will improve the transportation / land use linkage, help towns be more flood resilient, and help communities plan for Clean Water Initiatives. An example is to support Berlin's plan to designate a New Town Center. Ron asked that the assistance to towns in acquiring Municipal General Road Permits to comply with the Clean Water Law be more explicate. Lee made a motion to approve the FY 17 work program and budget. Ron seconded, and the motion passed.

7. Review the Berlin Exit 6 Park & Ride Comment Letter

It was discussed that the existing merge is difficult, there is poor visibility from the west bound approach, and loaded trucks from the quarry make right turns onto VT 63. It was suggested to include Ken Robie, and Kevin Marshia in the letter. Lee motioned, David seconded, the TAC voted to approve the letter.

8. Review East Montpelier US 2/VT 14 Signalized Intersection Safety Analysis

Staff explained the report that shows a significant reduction in crashes since the intersection was realigned, and signals installed. There was general agreement that the intersection works better than before.

9. Next meeting topics – field trip to the Barre Montpelier Road

A bus will pick up TAC members in front of City Hall. For those that don't want to go to Montpelier, the bus can meet them at 7:15 at the VTrans parking lot off of Partridge Farm Rd. (next to the VTrans Garage, and across from the CVS Pharmacy. Some members will bring their bicycles.

The Meeting ended at 8:30.