

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Minutes
April 7, 2020

Attendees:

x	Barre City: Scott Bascom	x	Northfield: Jeff Shultz
x	Barre Town: Shaun Corbett	x	Orange: Lee Cattaneo
x	Berlin: Robert Wernecke, Vice- Chair	x	Plainfield: Bob Atchinson
	Cabot: John Cookson		Roxbury: Jerry D’Amico
x	Calais: David Ellenbogen		Waitsfield: Don La Haye
x	Duxbury: Alan Quackenbush		Warren: Jim Sanford
	East Montpelier: Frank Pratt		Washington: Vacant
	Fayston:	x	Waterbury: Steve Lotspeich, Chair
x	Marshfield: Robin Schunk		Williamstown: Rich Turner
x	Middlesex: Ronald Krauth		Woodbury: Vacant
	Montpelier: Dona Bate		Worcester: Bill Arrand
x	Moretown: Joyce Manchester		

Staff: Ashley Andrews

Guest: Peter Carbee - Washington

Chair S. Lotspeich called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Quorum was not present at beginning of the meeting. Introductions were completed.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

A. Andrews apologized that the Minutes were not included in the mailing, and S. Lotspeich suggested to look them over at the May meeting

Public Comments:

Peter Carbee from Washington was present but since Washington doesn’t have a member he was monitoring the meeting.

District Leveling Prioritization

A. Andrews presented the VTrans Districts suggested leveling projects for the CVPRC region. The projects may be funded by federal stimulus money. There are seven projects split between three Districts. District 4 had one project for the region, District 5 had 3 projects, and District 7 had 3 projects. They are all paving or spot paving projects. District 4 was discussed first, the TAC believes that Route 12 South and North of Montpelier is in worse shape than Route 14, however they believe it is project that would be starting from scratch rather than leveling. District 5 Middlesex has two sections of road that are a continuation of last year’s paving project on Route 2 and one in Moretown farther west. It was suggested if possible to combine all three projects into one. The TAC made a comment to the District to push for a complete paving rehabilitation of Route 2 to remove the concrete road underneath. District 7 has a

1 project on Route 14 going from East Calais village and ending in Woodbury at the Town office.
2 Plainfield to East Montpelier on Route 214 (Which was incorrectly labeled as Route 2 on the
3 map) and B. Atchinson would like to double check the total mileage being paved for that
4 project. East Barre to Washington on Route 110. (Which was incorrectly displayed on the map
5 as to where the segments started and ended) S. Corbett recommended that the TAC ask the
6 District to expand treatment to stretch the entire length of project rather than sections.

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8 R. Schunk wondered about adding a paving project on Route 232, but it was discovered that
9 there was one already planned for this year.

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11 S. Bascom made a recommendation to accept the priorities as listed except make Route 214
12 number 3 rather than number 5 as the District had listed. B. Wernecke seconded. The TAC
13 added comments on combining the projects in District 5 into one, and the projects on Route
14 110 into one and expanding the treatment to encompass all sections, and double checking the
15 mileage on Route 214. *The recommendation was passed.*

16 17 **TAC Member Comments/Concerns**

18 R. Krauth dozens of roads in Vermont have concrete underlays but if we can somehow get
19 started on fixing them it is better than nothing.

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21 B. Atchinson was very irritated that the TAC was only given four days' notice for the meeting,
22 since he had to miss another meeting and since there would most likely not be a quorum
23 present as a result of four days' notice.

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25 D. Ellenbogen didn't see all the attachments and emails for the meeting, he had been on the
26 TAC 6 years and had never heard of an emergency meeting. In order to get a quorum, with the
27 short notice he felt there should have been phone calls or repeat emails to make sure the TAC
28 was aware.

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30 S. Lotspeich responded by saying that he understands people are frustrated. It is the symptom
31 of dealing with an emergency. This was a project we were told to schedule. A. Andrews and he
32 were instructed to do this by Bonnie Waninger and the EC Committee. Not to duck the
33 responsibility and we can certainly send a reminder out next time. A. Andrews did send a
34 packet out yesterday to remind everyone about tonight's meeting, but he realizes email is not
35 the perfect way to go but we did the best we can.

36 37 **Discuss Future TAC Meetings**

38 At this time all non-essential meeting have been put on hold unless there is something that the
39 TAC needs to meet about. There will be no meeting at the end of April, and A. Andrews will
40 keep the TAC informed if there is something essential they need to meet about in May.

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42 **Adjourn:** S. Bascom suggested the TAC adjourn. B. Wernecke seconded

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44 The meeting was ended at 7:30 pm.