CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Minutes

September 22, 2020

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Attendees:

Х	Barre City: Scott Bascom
Х	Barre Town: James West
Х	Berlin: Robert Wernecke, Vice- Chair
	Cabot: John Cookson
Х	Calais: David Ellenbogen
	Duxbury: Alan Quackenbush
	East Montpelier: Frank Pratt
	Fayston: Matt Lillard
Х	Marshfield: Robin Schunk
Х	Middlesex: Ronald Krauth
Х	Montpelier: Dona Bate
Х	Moretown: Joyce Manchester

	Northfield: Jeff Shultz
Х	Orange: Lee Cattaneo
х	Plainfield: Bob Atchinson
х	Roxbury: Gerry D'Amico
х	Waitsfield: Don La Haye
	Warren: Jim Sanford
х	Washington: Peter Carbee
х	Waterbury: Steve Lotspeich, Chair
х	Williamstown: Rich Turner
	Woodbury: Vacant
	Worcester: Bill Arrand

Staff: Ashley Andrews, Pam DeAndrea

Guest: Zoe Neaderland, VTrans; Chris Damiani, GMT; Alice Peal, Mad River Valley Planning TAC and Waitsfield citizen

7 Chair S. Lotspeich called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Quorum was present at the meeting. 8 Introductions were completed.

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Adjustments to the Agenda

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Public Comments

Zoe Neaderland VTrans commented that there would be a public hearing coming up on Tuesday October 6th from 4-5pm of the Updated Freight and Rail Plan, and everyone on the TAC was welcome to join. A. Andrews said she would distribute information to the TAC as it became available.

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Review of Draft July Minutes

20 Minutes were accepted with minor changes made. *R. Turner moved to accept the minutes with* 21 *changes S. Bascom seconded.*

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TAC Rules of Procedure

The Rules of Procedure was discussed previously in May, but the TAC had questions about what was considered a quorum. According to the Secretary of State's office, a quorum is a majority of

the total designated seats (for TAC, 23), not solely the filled seats. Membership of outside groups was discussed again. *P. Carbee moved to take out the lines "The TAC shall consist of municipal representatives and representatives from transportation-related groups." And "Upon the approval of 51% of the Transportation Advisory Committee, other transportation-related groups will be invited to appoint one voting member and one alternate to the Transportation Advisory Committee." R. Wernecke seconded. The TAC wants outside groups to participate but the vote would preclude them from having a vote on business, but always welcome to come participate, advocate, and debate. 13 yeah and 2 nay. Motion passed.*

Transportation Resilience Planning Tool Presentation

Pam DeAndrea from CVRPC presented on the Transportation Resilience Planning Tool which is a project that VTrans, Milone & MacBroom, CVRPC, several other RPCs and other organizations collaborated on. The group got together along with Town input to map threats and damages from flooding events relating to Town infrastructure. Once mapped the infrastructure was given a vulnerability and criticality rating that helped them figure out the infrastructure score which was then available in the online tool. This is the beginning of a statewide project that started by mapping the Stevens Branch of the Winooski Watershed for the CVRPC region.

Federal FY20 TPI Budget

R. Wernecke moved to approve the adjustment to the FFY20 budget. B. Atchinson seconded. Motion passed with one abstention. Roll call: 13 yeah and one abstention. **Motion passed**

Federal FY21 TPI Revised Work Plan and Budget

- R. Wernecke moved to approve the revised FFY21 work plan and budget, which had a math error.
- 25 D. Bates seconded. **Motion passed.**

TAC Member Concerns

P. Carbee stated that VTrans started milling and repairing VT Route 110 from Washington to East Barre, Finally! J. Manchester asked some bike related questions about the Waterbury paving project. J. West was concerned about the accessibility of the online meeting platform and being able to hear people well. D La Haye expressed concern about not receiving a TAC packet in the mail since COVID started. B. Atchinson said the Town of Plainfield held two public hearings at the Rec field and two virtually to discuss the Route 2 Main Street Blinking light intersection. R. Krauth was driving through Stowe and was very pleased with how the roads were completed.

Adjourn: R. Wernecke moved to adjourn the meeting. D. La Haye seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting was ended at 8:32 pm.