



Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Minutes

Tuesday, October 25, 2022

Attendees:						
X	Barre City	Michael Hellein		X	Moretown	Joyce Manchester
	Barre Town	Stephanie Magnan				Dara Torre, Alt
		Sebastian Arduengo, Alt			Northfield	Thomas Davis
	Berlin	Robert Wernecke (Vice Chair)				Patrick Demasi, Alt
	Cabot	John Cookson			Orange	Lee Cattaneo
X	Calais	David Ellenbogen		X	Plainfield	Bob Atchinson
		Karin McNeill, Alt			Roxbury	Gerry D'Amico
X	Duxbury	Alan Quackenbush		X	Waitsfield	Don LaHaye
		Bill Whitehair, Alt.			Warren	Michael Bridgewater, Alt
X	E. Montpelier	Gina Jenkins		X	Washington	Peter Carbee
	Fayston	Donald Simonini		X	Waterbury	Steve Lotspeich (Chair)
	Marshfield	Robin Schunk			Williamstown	Richard Turner
X	Middlesex	Ronald Krauth		X	Woodbury	Chris Koteas
X	Montpelier	Dona Bate		X	Worcester	Bill Arrand
Staff:		Christian Meyer, Sam Lash, Keith Cubbon				
Guests:		Zach Melcher				

Chair Steve Lotspeich called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Roll Call

- Roll was called and a quorum was present

Adjustments to the Agenda

- No additions

Public Comments

- None

Staffing announcements

- Christian Meyer noted Keith Cubbon's participation in the meeting and that Keith will be more involved in CVRPC transportation work going forward.

Review of Draft July Meeting Minutes

- *Chris Koteas moved to accept the September TAC meeting minutes as modified; Don LaHaye seconded.* By unanimous consent, the motion carried.

Election of Officers

- The Steve Lotspeich reviewed the nominations of Stephanie Magnan for chair and Bob Atchinson for vice-chair. The chair then opened the floor to additional nominations. No further nominations were made.
- *Michael Hellein moved to elect Stephanie Magnan as chair and Bob Atchinson as vice chair of the CVRPC TAC.* Dona Bate seconded the motion. By unanimous consent the motion carried.

UVM Sustainable Transportation Intern Sidewalks Project

- Zach Melcher, the sustainable transportation intern from UVM, introduced himself to the TAC and discussed the work he will be doing to gather data for a regional sidewalk network. TAC members were excited about the work Zach is undertaking and look forward to seeing his product.

Mobility Committee Meeting update

- Christian reviewed the discussion from the September Central Vermont Mobility Committee meeting and new programs that will be available to help provide mobility to all Central Vermonters who need it. One exciting new program is the Capstone Community Rides program that will attempt to provide additional options for traditionally unserved populations.

Transportation Equity Framework

- Sam Lash engaged Committee members on assessing a project through the lens of the Just Transitions equity rubric. Michael Hellein wondered how the Committee may be expected to use the rubric in future years. Christian Meyer thought that as members of the TAC they may be both reviewing scored projects and occasionally scoring projects themselves. This work is becoming more and more entwined in the region's funding programs. Therefore, staff hopes the TAC is comfortable with the concepts in whatever forms it takes. Dona Bate thought this was important work and thanked Sam for bringing it to the TAC. She hoped the TAC and RPC could get ahead of the State requirements and develop a rubric that were more straight forward for our needs. Michael further noted that he too supported this work but also hoped more systemic and even more radical approaches could be undertaken to think about how transportation infrastructure affects frontline communities. Support was voiced by other members.

1 **TAC Member Round Table**

- 2 • Bob Atchinson noted that the Plainfield Main Street Bridge is closed and construction is
3 underway. The bridge is in better shape than previously feared.
- 4 • David Ellenbogen asked about travel lane widths and striping procedures for newly
5 paved roads and wanted to reach out to East Montpelier on the work being done and
6 how it will be striped. Gina Jenkins stated she was happy to talk to and put David in
7 touch with the East Montpelier road foreman.
- 8 • David Ellenbogen asked about stop signs on town roads. Staff and committee members
9 agreed that this is a town decision. Staff noted that CVRPC can provide expertise in
10 conducting warrants.

11 **Adjourn**

12 *Don LaHaye moved to adjourn; Bob Atchinson seconded. By unanimous consent, the motion*
13 *carried.*

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15 The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.