CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION 1 **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** 2 **Draft MINUTES** 3 October 10, 2023 4 5 **Commissioners:** ☐ Barre City Janet Shatney, Sec/Treas Moretown ■ David Stapleton Vacant Joyce Manchester, Alt ■ Northfield ☐ Barre Town George Clain Royal DeLegge Alice Farrell, Alt Jeff Schulz, Alt **⊠** Berlin ☑ Orange Robert Wernecke Lee Cattaneo Karla Nuissl, Alt. ☑ Plainfield Paula Emery **区** Cabot **Brittany Butler** Bob Atchinson, Alt. Calais John Brabant ■ Roxbury Jerry D'Amico, Chair Jan Ohlsson, Alt. **▼** Waitsfield Don La Haye × **☑** Duxbury Alan Quackenbush Alice Peal, Alt. **⊠** Warren David Wendt, Alt. Alexis Leacock ☐ E. Montpelier Vacant Jenny Faillace, Alt. Peter Carbee, Vice Chair **☑** Washington Clarice Cutler, Alt. ☐ Fayston Vacant **⊠** Waterbury Doug Greason ☐ Marshfield ☐ Williamstown Richard Turner Vacant Middlesex Ron Krauth Jacqueline Higgins, Alt. × **⋈** Woodbury Mitch Osiecki, Alt. Michael Gray ☐ Montpelier Ariane Kissam Worcester ■ Bill Arrand Mike Miller, Alt. 6 7 Staff: Christian Meyer, Nancy Chartrand, Lincoln Frasca, Brian Voigt, Eli Toohey 8 Guests: Keith Fritschie, Department of Environmental Conservation; Wendelyn Bolles (Berlin Conservation 9 Commission; Gary Gulka, Cabot 10 11 Call to Order: Chair D'Amico called the meeting to order at 6:32; roll call conducted and a quorum was present. 12 13 Adjustments to the Agenda: None 14 15 Public Comments: None 16 17 Winooski Basin Plan Hearing/Presentation with Department of Environmental Conservation: Chair D'Amico 18 advised he would like to adjourn the meeting for the hearing and reconvene upon hearing/presentation 19 conclusion. 20 Robert Wernecke moved to adjourn, seconded by Lee Cattaneo, motion carried. 21 22 Keith Fritschie of the Department of Environmental Conservation shared a high overview presentation of the 23 draft basin plan. He noted that today was the beginning of the public comment period which goes until 24 November 10. Comments can be submitted by mail (Keith Fritschie, Basin 8 Comments, 1 National Life Drive,

Montpelier, VT 05602) or email - <u>keith.fritschie@vermont.gov</u>. The core components of the plan will be shared today. A copy and video of the presentation will be available on CVRPC's website. The draft plan and story map are available on the DEC webpage: https://dec.vermont.gov/water-investment/watershed-planning/tactical-basin-planning/basin8

John Brabant left the meeting prior to it reconvening.

Alan Quackenbush moved to reconvene the October 10th RPC meeting; seconded by Robert Wernecke. Motion carried.

Municipal Dues: Christian Meyer noted the rate has held steady through FY23 and FY24 and now into FY25.

Robert Wernecke moved to adopt an FY25 municipal dues assessment rate of \$1.33 per capita, as recommended by the Executive Committee; seconded by Peter Carbee. It was confirmed this information will be sent to towns for March budgeting. Vote called and motion carried.

 ACCD/VAPDA Regional Future Land Use Initiative: Christian provided an overview of the memorandum, draft VAPDA report, and CVRPC comments on the report that were included in the packet. He also advised, with regret, that Clare Rock will be leaving CVRPC later this month. It was noted that the Regional Plan Committee has reviewed also this future land use information at two of their meetings.

The legislature put a short timeline on this and a semi-final draft will be returned to the Board at the next meeting. Christian encouraged Board members to review the document and provide comment as soon as possible. Robert Wernecke advised he believed the comments on the draft included in the packet were good comments. Alice Peal advised the Regional Plan Committee had initial discussion on this project and are looking at what parts of this they could then bring into the updated Regional Plan and Regional Land Use map. She noted it fits into current discussions on state designations, FEMA mapping and clean water strategies. There was also brief discussion related to the intersection of this project with Act 250.

Minutes – (9/12/23)

Lee Cattaneo moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Peter Carbee Vote called and motion carried.

Reports: Christian advised the Board of Green Mountain Transit's temporary service reductions due to a lack of drivers. This has had a significant impact on riders coming from Barre for commuting to work. They are working hard to solve the problem. In addition, Barre City is formally requesting reinstatement of an early morning route that was terminated in 2020.

Robert Wernecke moved to accept the reports as presented in the packet. Seconded by Don LaHaye. Motion carried.

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Adjournment

2 Don LaHaye moved to adjourn at 8:18 pm; seconded by Lee Cattaneo. Motion carried.

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- 5 Respectfully submitted,
- 6 Nancy Chartrand, Office Manager



