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**Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)  
Minutes  
Tuesday, November 26 ,2024**

<b>Attendees:</b>					
	Barre City			Northfield	Thomas Davis
	Barre Town				Jeff Schulz, Alt
	Berlin	Robert Wernecke	x	Orange	Lee Cattaneo
	Cabot	John Cookson	x	Plainfield	Bob Atchinson (Chair)
x	Calais	David Ellenbogen (Vice Chair)		Roxbury	Gerry D'Amico
		Karin McNeill, Alt	x	Waitsfield	Don LaHaye
	Duxbury	Alan Quackenbush			Alice Peal, Alt
		Bill Whitehair, Alt.		Warren	Michael Bridgewater, Alt
	E. Montpelier	Adam Stanforth		Washington	Peter Carbee
		Jen Devine, Alt			
	Fayston	Donald Simonini	x	Waterbury	Mike Hedges
	Marshfield	Todd Eaton			Doug Greason, Alt
	Middlesex	Ronald Krauth		Williamstown	Richard Turner
	Montpelier	Dona Bate		Woodbury	Michael Gray
x	Moretown	Joyce Manchester			
				Worcester	Bill Arrand
Staff: Reuben MacMartin					
Guests: Matthew Arancio, Monica White					

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Bob A. brought the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

**Roll Call**

- Roll was called and a quorum was not present.

**Adjustments to the Agenda**

- None

**Public Comments**

- None

1 **Staff Announcements**

- 2 • Reuben informed TAC that draft RFP had been prepared for SS4A and was expected to  
3 go before Executive in January.

4 **Approval of September 2024 TAC Meeting Minutes**

- 5 • Quorum not present  
6 • David E noted typo: Page 3, Line 9 (subsequently corrected)

7 **Approval of CY 25 Meeting Dates**

- 8 • Quorum not present

9 **Presentation and Discussion: Transportation Land Use Interactions**

- 10 • Reuben presented a draft presentation on Transportation and Land Use for feedback  
11 from the TAC, the intended use of which is to ensure  
12 • Bob A: Revisited slide on “Cycle of Automobile Dependency”. Asked about London car  
13 ban (Ultra Low Emission Zone scheme).  
14 • Joyce M: Asked about parking fee recommendations. Lower them?  
15 ○ Reuben: Raise them (in conjunction with parking management).  
16 ○ Joyce: Won’t that discourage people from visiting town centers.  
17 ○ Reuben: Pricing appropriateness location dependent. Metering public parking to  
18 give users price signal and increase parking turn over in commercial areas.  
19 • Mike H: Appreciated presentation. Thought it could use more simplification be made  
20 more accessible. More explanation of regional typologies merited.  
21 • Lee CC: Felt it would benefit from better explanation of dependencies/synergies  
22 between potential interventions. Need for coordination of interventions.  
23 • David E: Equity concerns with parking pricing. Questioned wide shoulders as a speeding  
24 factor, cited shoulder widening and striping case study that reduced lane width.  
25 ○ Reuben: Lane narrowing will reduce speed even if shoulder widens as a result.  
26 Striping acts as visual cue for drivers, impression that something is there.  
27 ○ David E: VTrans requirement that Town take over road (Class 1 Town Highway) if  
28 they want to drop speed below 30 MPH or do traffic calming. VTrans ban on  
29 shade trees in shoulder green strips between cartway and sidewalks.  
30 ○ Mike H: Tree ban likely due to trucks (branch maintenance concerns). VTrans 11  
31 foot lane minimum: unsure if safer than 12 foot, concern about faster paint  
32 wear.  
33 ○ David E: Paint cheaper than other options.  
34 ○ Mike H: Also federally eligible activity.  
35 ○ David E: Asked about rumbles on fog lines.

- 1                   ○ Mike H: Rumbles work well on centerline, dangerous for cyclists on fog lines
- 2                                   (only used on interstate).

3 **TAC Member Round Table**

- 4           • David E: Appreciated presentation. Would welcome return to more presentations in
- 5                   future.
- 6           • Bob A: Plainfield got MERP grant including 5 new municipal EV chargers. Was unable to
- 7                   connect with Road Foreperson to get bridge priorities.

8 **Adjourn**

- 9           • At 7:26 PM Don L made a motion to adjourn David E 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.
- 10                   ○ Mike H moved for discussion to wish everyone happy holidays.
- 11                   Group voted; Motion passed.

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13                   Respectfully submitted by:

14                   Reuben MacMartin, Senior Transportation Planner

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