

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
May 13, 2025

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Staff: Nancy Chartrand, Eli Toohey, Will Pitkin, Brian Voigt

Guest: Stephen Whitaker, Montpelier; Nick Persampieri, Burlington

Call to Order: Chair D'Amico called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm, a roll call was completed, and a quorum was present.

Adjustments to the Agenda: FY25 should read FY26 for Nominations item on agenda.

Public Comments: None

Legislative Update: Chair D'Amico introduced Josh Hanford of the Vermont League of Cities & Towns (VLCT). Josh provided an overview of VLCT's 2025 legislative priorities which include: lower property taxes, invest locally, improve accountability, create housing, promote public safety, and build resilient communities. For this discussion he focused the legislation being closely followed by VLCT, specifically related to housing and infrastructure - Community Housing Investment Program (CHIP). Also discussed were the open meeting law reform bill, flood bill, 3-acre reform bill, as well as the education reform bill. There was discussion and questions related to open meeting law, the CHIP application process, multi-use development, wastewater extensions, flood mitigation and reimbursement, and infrastructure funding (video of this presentation is available on CVRPC website).

Following this presentation, Will Pitkin provided an overview for the Board of the legislative update memorandum that was included in the packet, which also outlined specifically those legislative items that will have potential impact on our commission and municipalities.

FY26 Nominations: Chair D’Amico introduced Alice Peal, Chair of the Nominating Committee, who provided an overview of the recommended slate of officers and committee appointments as outlined in the meeting packet. The floor was opened to additional nominations from the floor for each committee. David Stapleton was nominated by Peter Carbee for one of the vacant alternate seats on the Basin Water Quality Council, and he accepted the nomination.

Doug Greason moved to accept the recommended slate as proposed by the Nominating Committee with the additional nomination from the floor; seconded by Royal DeLegge. Motion passed unanimously.

It was noted that a ballot of the slate as accepted will be mailed to Commissioners within five days.

Minutes – (4/08/25):

Peter Carbee moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by David Stapleton. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports:

Eli Toohey shared details about the upcoming Housing Workshop and Roundtable scheduled for May 21st.

Peter Carbee moved to accept the Staff and Committee reports, seconded by Robert Wernecke. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Round Table:

Alice Peal thanked Eli for all of her work on the Regional Plan Committee as it relates to housing.

Will Pitkin queried the Board as to whether they want direct emails of Project Review Committee comments when they are sent; or if they would like them provided in the monthly board packet. After discussion it was determined the preference was direct emails.

Adjournment: *Peter Carbee moved to adjourn to 7:49 pm; seconded by Alice Peal. Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Chartrand, Office Manager