



Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Notes

Tuesday, February 24, 2025

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Attendees:					
	Barre City			Northfield	Thomas Davis
X	Barre Town	Phil Cecchini			Jeff Schulz, Alt
X	Berlin	Robert Wernecke	X	Orange	Lee Cattaneo
	Cabot	John Cookson	X	Plainfield	Bob Atchinson (Chair)
X	Calais	David Ellenbogen		Roxbury	Gerry D'Amico
		Karin McNeill, Alt		Waitsfield	Don LaHaye
X	Duxbury	Alan Quackenbush	X		Alice Peal, Alt
			X	Warren	Jim Crafts
X	E. Montpelier	Adam Stanforth	X	Washington	Peter Carbee
		Jen Devine, Alt			
	Fayston		X	Waterbury	Mike Hedges (Vice Chair)
	Marshfield	Todd Eaton			Doug Greason, Alt
	Middlesex	Ronald Krauth		Williamstown	Richard Turner
	Montpelier	Dona Bate		Woodbury	Michael Gray
	Moretown	John Lynch			
				Worcester	Bill Arrand
Staff: Reuben MacMartin, Keith Cubbon, Christian Meyer Guests: Monica White (GMT), Stephen Whitaker (Public), Marcella Dent (VTrans), Mike Miller (Montpelier Planning), John Brabant (CVRPC Board)					

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Bob A. brought the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Roll Call

- Roll was called and there was not a quorum.

Adjustments to the Agenda

- Mike H asked that his presentation on the Governor’s Budget be moved ahead of the discussion of the letter of compatibility request from Montpelier. It was agreed to adjust the sequence of agenda items.

1 **Public Comments**

- 2 • Stephen Whitaker raised concerns about the process of addressing issues like Country
3 Club Road, emphasizing the need for scrutiny regardless of whether an Act 250 permit is
4 filed. He also opined that the January meeting minutes should explicitly reflect certain
5 commissioners' requests for more information before voting on projects.

6 **Staff Announcements**

- 7 • Staff are in the process of scheduling interviews for summer planning tech positions.

8 **Approval of January 2025 Minutes**

- 9 • Robert W requested that January Minutes be corrected to show the correct meeting
10 date.

11 **Presentation: The Governor’s Budget for Transportation**

- 12 • Mike Hedges walked the committee through the Governor’s requested budget for FY 27
13 and the process by which the budget numbers are determined. He also shared a number
14 of VTrans information resources that could be used to check on project and program
15 area status and priority.

16 **Action: Endorsement of Letter of Compatibility for Montpelier Community
17 Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery (CBDG-DR) Application**

- 18 • Discussion focused on questions relating to the future development of the Country Club
19 Road site, which is still in the process of specification.
- 20 ○ Potential traffic impacts of the future Country Club Road development were
21 briefly discussed
 - 22 ○ A complaint was made that that the larger Country Club Road project's
23 conceptual nature and the absence of a master plan complicate the review
24 process.
 - 25 ○ Concerns were raised about hypothetical water quality impacts.
 - 26 ○ It was opined that the RPC should insert itself into municipal alternative
27 selection processes.
- 28 • In relation to the project directly at hand reassurance was sought that the Agway
29 driveway would be regraded to satisfy maximum slope standards and be adjusted to
30 align with Country Club Road, if not immediately, at least prior to any future signalization
31 of the intersection.
- 32 ○ Montpelier stated that they would be modifying the driveway grade to meet
33 standard and that the details of driveway location were being investigated and
34 would be reflected in future design documents.

1 **TAC Member Round Table**

- 2 • David E inquired about state assistance for managing phragmites adjacent to roadways.

3 **Adjourn**

- 4 • At 8:19 PM Lee C moved to adjourn Peter C 2nd the motion.
5 ○ Group voted; Motion passed.

6 **Action Items**

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8 Respectfully submitted by:

9 Reuben MacMartin, Senior Transportation Planner