

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CVRPC Executive Committee
Joint Special Meeting
MINUTES
June 18, 2026

Commissioners & Executive Members:

☐ Barre City	Janet Shatney, Sec/Treas	☒ Moretown	Deborah Sargent
☐	Vacant	☐	Joyce Manchester, Alt
☐ Barre Town	Vacant	☒ Northfield	Royal DeLegge
☐	Vacant	☐	Vacant
☒ Berlin	Alice Farrell	☐ Orange	Lee Cattaneo, Vice Chair
☐	Robert Wernecke, Alt.	☐ Plainfield	Paula Emery
☒ Cabot	Brittany Butler	☐	Bob Atchinson, Alt.
☒ Calais	John Brabant	☐ Roxbury	Jerry D'Amico
☐	Melanie Kehne, Alt.	☒ Waitsfield	Alice Peal
☒ Duxbury	David Wendt	☐	Don La Haye, Alt.
☐	Vacant	☒ Warren	Jim Crafts
☐ E. Montpelier	Alexander Rob	☐	Adam Zawistowski, Alt.
☐	Clarice Cutler, Alt.	☒ Washington	Peter Carbee, Chair
☐ Fayston	Andrew McNealus	☒ Waterbury	Doug Greason
☒ Marshfield	Amy Monahan	☒ Williamstown	Richard Turner
☐ Middlesex	Ron Krauth	☒ Woodbury	Michael Gray
☐	Mitch Osiecki, Alt.	☒ Worcester	Bill Arrand
☒ Montpelier	Mike Miller		

Staff: Christian Meyer, Barbara Petrie

Members of the Public: Stephen Whitaker, Montpelier

Guests: None

Call to Order: Chair Carbee called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm, roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

Adjustments to the Agenda: None

Public Comments: Steve Whitaker raised concerns about the validity of meeting conduct rules adopted on May 12th, arguing they were not properly adopted under Vermont law and restricted public comment opportunities.

Accusation of Open Meeting Law Violation: 6-9-2026 Board of Commissioners Meeting. Christian explained that, per VLCT and Secretary of State guidance, restricting public comment to specific agenda items is permitted under VT's Open Meeting Law and that the rules adopted on May 12th do not require bylaw amendments. Christian also addressed questions about the procurement process for Onterris Environmental, noting that EPA approved the process and that it was

carried out through an open solicitation. He also mentioned that the Brownfields Advisory Committee had acted based on information provided by environmental professionals.

There was discussion among the commissioners present around whether any feedback had been received from our attorneys and/or VLCT regarding this issue. It was agreed that there are several items that should be brought up at a future meeting, given all that has come up during this time.

Commissioner Brabant made a motion that Open Meeting Law was not violated on 6/9/2026. Commissioner DeLegge seconded the motion.

There was further discussion regarding whether the rules of procedure were or were not properly adopted. Christian clarified that a yes or yay to the motion indicated that no violation had occurred.

Chair Carbee repeated the motion: As to the accusation of an open meeting law violation at the Board of Commissioners Meeting on June 9, 2026, that all those in favor of denying the accusation of this violation would indicate so by saying yay.

One abstention required a roll call vote with results as follows:

Yays

Alice Farrell
Brittany Butler
David Wendt
Amy Monahan
Mike Miller
Deb Sargent
Royal DeLegge
Alice Peal
Jim Crafts
Peter Carbee
Doug Greason
Richard Turner
Bill Arrand
Michael Gray
Mitch Osiecki (alt)

Abstain

John Brabant

Motion to deny the accusation of Open Meeting Law violation at the June 9, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting passed.

Accusation of Open Meeting Law Violation: 6-5-2026 Brownfields Advisory Committee Meeting

Chair Carbee called for a motion regarding the above. Commissioner Miller made a motion to deny the Open Meeting Law violation allegation for the June 5, 2026, Brownfields Advisory Committee meeting. Commissioner Farrell seconded the motion.

Commissioner Miller continued that there was no information provided in Mr. Whitaker's memo proving that a violation had occurred. There was further discussion among the commissioners regarding past practices on making these decisions (e.g., listening to all minutes, watching all recordings, and so forth). Christian shared that board members are allowed to vote on matters as long

as they have sufficient knowledge of the basis of the motion.

Commissioner Crafts abstained, sharing that he was not familiar enough with the topic to decide one way or the other, nor was he present at the meeting. It was announced that recordings and minutes are posted on the website, made available for the public to familiarize themselves with topics under discussion.

Chair Carbee repeated the motion, as to the accusation of the Open Meeting Law violation at the Brownfields Advisory Committee meeting on June 5, 2026. Due to at least one abstention, a roll call vote was required with results as follows:

Yays

Alice Farrell
Brittany Butler
David Wendt
Amy Monahan
Mike Miller
Deb Sargent
Royal DeLegge
Peter Carbee
Doug Greason
Richard Turner
Bill Arrand
Michael Gray
Mitch Osiecki (alt)

Abstain

John Brabant
Alice Peal
Jim Crafts

*Commissioner Carbee called for a motion to adjourn, moved by Commissioner Brabant, seconded by Commissioner Arrand. **Motion passed unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Petrie, Office Manager