CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DRAFT MINUTES
November 10, 2026

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☒	Orange	Lee Cattaneo			
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Staff: Christian Meyer, Barbara Petrie, Lincoln Frasca

Guests: Richard Amore, Executive Director, Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation

Members of the Public: Stephen Whitaker, Montpelier resident

Introductions/Roll Call/Confirmation of Meeting Recording/Adjustments to Agenda: The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm; recording was confirmed, roll call was taken and a quorum was established. There were no adjustments to the agenda.

Public Comment: Steve Whitaker raised concerns about two issues he felt required full board attention: the handling of public records related to a contract with Onterris managing $2.2 million in Brownfields

funds; and what he perceived as a missing conformance report in the regional plan submission to the Land Use Review Board.

Adopt the 11/10/2026 Board of Commissioners Agenda: *Commissioner Cattaneo called for a motion to adopt the Board of Commissioners meeting agenda. The motion was moved by Commissioner Greason and seconded by Commissioner D'Amico*. Commissioner Emery asked for clarification on whether Mr. Whitaker requested the issues he raised be added to this agenda. After some discussion, it was decided these issues should be addressed at the next meeting rather than immediately, as they required more preparation time. ***Motion to adopt passed unanimously.***

Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation (CVEDC) Update: Richard Amore, new Executive Director of CVEDC, presented an update on the organization's strategic plan and goals, emphasizing their focus on supporting small businesses, municipalities and community economic development across the region. He outlined plans for a regional listening tour to engage local communities and stakeholders to better understand their needs and priorities. Many of those present thanked Richard for his presentation and update.

Vermont Outdoor Recreation Collaborative (VOREC) – CVRPC Grant Proposal: The Board discussed CVRPC application proposal to the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the 2027 VOREC Grant. The grant's purpose would be to conduct a regional recreation inventory analysis, explaining how it would support strategic planning and align with regional and state goals. After staff's presentation, Commissioner D'Amico expressed concerns about over-formalization of recreational activities. Commissioner Emery suggested having the Outdoor Recreation Collaborative make periodic presentations to the Board and proposed reviewing this application at the January Board meeting with action to be taken at its February meeting to meet the February 17th deadline. There was a brief exchange about the need to address housing and emergency shelter infrastructure in recreational spaces, which was acknowledged as a potentially important integration opportunity. This item will be revisited in January.

Accept Meeting Minutes (10/20/2026) & Committee and Staff Reports (October 2026): Given the ZOOM link issues experienced by some participants joining the meeting, Christian recommended that 10/20/2026 Meeting Minutes and October 2026 Committee and Staff Reports be revisited at the next Board meeting**.**

Commissioner Greason extended the opportunity to fill a vacant position on the Regional Plan Committee, as it would be beneficial to have a fifth member. There was a further brief discussion of the Regional Plan Committee's work and the challenges of ranking diverse regional project applications.

Commissioner Roundtable: Commissioner Emery asked for clarification on whether discussion on the project ranking is allowed.

Adjourn*:* *Commissioner Cattaneo* ***c****alled for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Turner moved the motion and Commissioner Emery seconded*.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Petrie, Office Manager

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