CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Regional Plan Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2026

29 Main Street, Suite 4, Montpelier, VT 05602
Remote Access Via Zoom

Committee Members:	
X	Doug Greason, Waterbury Representative, Acting Chair
X	Alice Farrell, Berlin Representative
	Brittany Butler, Cabot Representative
X	John Brabant, Calais Representative

Commissioners: J. Crafts, Waitsfield
Staff: Christian Meyer, Kari Pelletiere, Lorraine Banbury
Public: Steven Whittaker, Montpelier

D. Greason called the meeting to order at approximately 4:03 pm. Roll call was taken.

Adjustments to the Agenda
None.

Public Comment
None.

Approval of Minutes – September 14, 2026
J. Brabant moved to accept the September 14, 2026 draft meeting minutes. A. Farrell seconded. S. Whittaker asked if the record from the Public Hearing was available. Staff confirmed the transcript and exhibits were available on the public hearings page of the website.

All in favor; motion passed unanimously.

Elections
J. Brabant nominated D. Greason for Committee Chairperson. A. Farrell seconded. All in favor; D. Greason elected unanimously.

D. Greason nominated J. Brabant for Committee Vice Chairperson. A. Farrell seconded. All in favor; J. Brabant elected unanimously.

Regional Plan Public Q&A Sessions

Staff provided an overview of four upcoming public Q&A sessions focused on the Regional Plan, adoption process, municipal planning authority, and Future Land Use Map. A new FAQ document has been distributed to legislative bodies, planning commissioners and municipal administrators/clerks. An invite flyer was distributed with the revised Regional Plan and Maps to all municipalities. Commissioners were asked to post the invite on Front Porch Forum.

Regional Plan Updates

Staff stated that revisions to the Regional Plan as warned were based on public, municipal, agency, and Land Use Review Board (LURB) comments. Clean and redlined versions are available online. Updates include revised maps, updated data, and clarifications to the text.

The Board of Commissioners is scheduled to consider adoption on October 20, 2026 with the goal of securing LURB approval before the end of 2026. Staff clarified that no map changes could be made before the 10/20 vote, but that future amendments will provide opportunities to address additional map change requests, including those from municipalities like Waterbury.

Board Vote and Beyond

Staff discussed the current understanding of standard, minor and non-minor amendment processes. Substantive revisions will require a full 2-hearing process, while some map changes for less than 10 acres can be made in 15 days. The Committee discussed the importance of communicating opportunities for future changes, particularly to municipalities.

D. Greason encouraged the Committee to identify what they liked in the current plan, and identify higher-level issues to focus on in the full rewrite. He also encouraged the Committee to review other RPC's Plans.

Adjournment

A. Farrell moved to adjourn. J. Brabant seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by L. Banbury