

1 **Regional Transportation Advisory Committee**  
2 **Meeting Minutes**  
3 **February 10, 2011**  
4 **NRPC Office, 155 Lake Street, St. Albans, VT**

5 **Attendance:**

6 TAC Members: P. Hansen (Village of Alburgh), John Whitney (St. Albans Town), David Leslie (Grand Isle),  
7 George Coy (Airport), J. Tomlinson (Richford), C. Steen (Fairfax), Carl Gleason (Fairfield), Georgette Johnson  
8 (Highgate), Cynthia Scott (MVRT) and Peter Magnant (Franklin),  
9 Others: Bethany Remmers (staff) and Amy Bell (VTrans, via phone).

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11 **Introductions:**

12 The meeting began at 6:37 PM followed by introductions.  
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14 **FY2013 Project Prioritization:**

15 B. Remmers outlined the VTrans prioritization process and explained that the TAC would rank projects  
16 in the following categories: bike & pedestrian facilities, park & ride lots, paving, roadway projects, state  
17 highway bridges and town highway bridges. The TAC postponed prioritization until the March meeting  
18 because they had questions about several projects. These questions included the AADT on the routes  
19 over the state highway bridges, status of the Richford MVRT extension and what elements of the  
20 interstate highway improvement projects have already been completed.  
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22 **Pre-Candidate Town Highway Bridges-Review Prioritization Process:**

23 B. Remmers outlined the VTrans pre-candidate prioritization process and noted that she would contact the  
24 towns to see if they had bridges that should be considered for the program.  
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26 **Current Issues for Winter Road Maintenance- Discussion:**

27 The TAC discussed the recent suggestion for VTrans to move from a “Safe Roads at Safe Speeds” policy to  
28 a “Clear Roads” policy. TAC members voiced support for the existing policy noting there may be  
29 sections of roadway that need extra attention during a snowstorm because they are susceptible to accidents.  
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31 *G. Johnson moved the TAC send a letter to the transportation committee chairs in support of*  
32 *VTrans’ current “Safe Roads at Safe Speeds” policy. C. Scott seconded. The motion carried.*  
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34 **Updates and Information:**

35 G. Coy reported that the airport has three projects going on including changes to the snow removal  
36 procedures, clearing of trees to allow for further development and the construction of new hangers. The  
37 hangers will be owned by the state and leased to private companies/individuals. B. Remmers reported that  
38 the enhancement grant awards were announced. In our region, Local Motion received \$300,000 for the  
39 causeway bike ferry and St. Albans City received \$300,000 for phase 1 of the Main Street streetscape  
40 project. The Town of Fairfield did not receive funding for a path at the school.  
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42 **Minutes:**

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44 *J. Tomlinson moved to accept the December 9, 2010 meeting minutes. G. Coy seconded. The motion carried.*  
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46 **Other Business:**

47 There was no other business.  
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49 *C. Steen moved to adjourn; G. Johnson seconded. The motion carried.*

50 The meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.