

Northwest Regional Planning Commission Enosburg Falls Village Report - 2023

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a multi-purpose governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs tailored to local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by two locally appointed members to the Board of Commissioners.

2023 ENOSBURG FALLS VILLAGE PROJECTS

- Provided technical assistance for local zoning and development review.
- Completed an update of the Local Emergency Management Plan (with Enosburgh Town) which helps the village be prepared for disasters.
- Initiated process to update the Village's Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible for lower local match in the event of a disaster.
- Served as local liaison to the village's emergency management officials for the State Emergency Operation Center during the July floods and provided recovery and mitigation resource information to residents affected by flooding.
- Consulted with local officials, evaluated infrastructure projects, and reviewed grant funding sources for projects that address water quality concerns.
- Provided a \$109,000 Clean Water Service Provider grant to Franklin County NRCD for a dam removal project on village property.
- Healthy Roots Collaborative provided market access assistance to an Enosburg Falls farms and delivered gleaned produce to the Enosburg Food Shelf and the Enosburg NOTCH on a regular basis.
- Healthy Roots Collaborative served as the local lead for the Everyone Eats
 program, including delivering meals to the food shelf bi-monthly and working
 with an Enosburg Falls business to prepare regular meals for the Fairfield
 Community Center.
- Collaborated with the Planning Commission to modernize the town's zoning bylaws to allow for increased housing choice and affordability funded by a Bylaw Modernization consortium grant.
- Provided assistance with a project to combine Town and Village development regulations, funded by a Municipal Planning Grant.
- Supported the Northwest Communications Union District, in which Enosburg Falls is a member.
- Worked with the community and partners to determine eligible uses of local funds from the American Rescue Plan Act.
- Provided a Safe Routes to School map.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with maximizing local, state and federal infrastructure funds, water quality project implementation, Municipal Roads General Permit compliance, local energy and climate planning, zoning bylaw modernization, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails, support local farm and food businesses through its Healthy Roots Collaborative, assist the Northwest Communications Union District in expanding broadband access in the region, and coordinate Housing For All, a three-year housing development campaign. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for NRPC is greatly appreciated. We are your resource - please call on us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, project management, mapping or other needs.

Enosburg Falls Regional Commissioners - Leonard Charron & Jesse Woods

Transportation Advisory Committee - Gary Denton

NRPC Projects & Programs

Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting

Brownfields site assessments, cleanups and redevelopment plans

Transportation planning and project management

Bike and pedestrian planning and project management

Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience

Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects

Water quality planning and project management

Regional plans for growth and development

Geographic Information System maps and data

Downtown and village revitalization and community development

Grant writing and administration

<u>Associated Projects &</u> <u>Programs Managed by NRPC</u>

Healthy Roots Collaborative

Northern Vermont Economic Development District

Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail

Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.

Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi and Lamoille River Basins

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