



MEETING MINUTES:

Northwest Regional Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

NRPC Conference Room, 75 Fairfield Street, St. Albans, VT 05478

Thursday May 8, 2025 - 6:30-8:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting Format: in person and remote

Attendance

Municipality	Rep.	Present	Municipality	Rep.	Present	Municipality	Rep.	Present
Alburgh Town	Vacant		Alburgh Village	Jason Beaulac		Bakersfield	Vacant	
Enosburg Falls	John Dasaro		Enosburgh Town	Joey Clark		Fairfax	Brent Sheets	
Fairfield	Dr. Lynda Ulrich Cathy Ainsworth (alt)	O	Fletcher	Matt Gillian		Franklin	Vacant	
Georgia	Suzanna Brown	X	Grand Isle	Barclay Morris	O	Highgate	Vacant	
Isle La Motte	Vacant		Montgomery	Mark Brouillette		Richford	Wally Steinhour	
Sheldon	Gregory Stebbins		South Hero	Bob Buermann	O	St. Albans City	Vacant	
St. Albans Town	David Allerton John Montagne (alt)		Swanton Town	Earl Fournier		Swanton Village	Heidi Britch-Valenta Bill Sheets (alt)	O
GMT (Transit)	Chris Damiani		NECR (Rail)	Charles Hunter		MVRT (Bike/Ped)	Vacant	
Air Rep.	Vacant		Berkshire	Vacant		North Hero	Vacant	

Other Participants: Kyle Grenier (NRPC), in person. Will Hodgson (GMT) online.

X = In person

O = Online

Without a current chair or vice chair, Kyle Grenier, NRPC Staff, called the meeting to order at 6:33pm. K. Grenier indicated that Harold Garrett (previous chair) and Peter Magnant (previous v. chair) were no longer members. With unanimous permission, K. Grenier moved directed the committee to the Annual Election of Officers.

• Annual Election of Officers

The TAC Rules of Procedure call for annual elections of a Chair and Vice-Chair. There are no term limits for these positions. *The floor will be open to nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair and elections will be held.*

- K. Grenier opened the floor, requesting nominations for TAC Chair.

- Suzanna Brown nominated Barclay Morris.
- Bob Buermann seconded Barclay Morris.
- Barclay Morris agreed to the nomination.
- No further nominations were heard.
- All voted in favor of Barclay Morris as Chair.

- 29 • K. Grenier requested that B. Morris take over the meeting.
- 30 i. B. Morris requested nominations for TAC Vice Chair.
- 31 ii. Suzanna Brown nominated Bob Buermann.
- 32 iii. B. Buermann accepted the nomination with the condition that he would prefer not succeed B.
- 33 Morris as eventual Chair, and that efforts be made to groom a new member for the V. Chair
- 34 position.
- 35 iv. Lynda Ulrich seconded B. Buermann.
- 36 v. No further nominations were heard.
- 37 vi. All voted in favor of Bob Buermann as Vice Chair.
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- 39 • **Adjustments to the Agenda**
- 40 No adjustments were made
- 41 • **Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks**
- 42 Welcome new representatives:
- Earl Fournier, Town of Swanton • John Dasaro, Enosburg Falls Village
- Matt Gillian, Town of Fletcher • Gregory Stebbins, Town of Sheldon
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- 44 • **Opportunity for Public Comment**
- 45 No public comment was made.
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- 47 • **NRPC & Regional project updates – Kyle Grenier**
- 48 EJG2G (Environmental Justice Government to Government) grant, AR35 news, etc.
- 49 • K. Grenier provided updates related to the cancellation of NRPC’s EJG2G EPA grant, Quebec’s decision to cut
- 50 the final 2.7 mile stretch of the AR 35 (to the Highgate Springs border crossing), and other regionally significant
- 51 projects.
- 52 • K. Grenier also provided an overview of paving, roadway and sidewalk projects occurring within the region this
- 53 season.
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- 55 • B. Morris asked Will Hodgson from Green Mountain Transit (GMT) if there were any pertinent updates related
- 56 to the region.
- 57 • W. Hodgson noted that the planned combination of the #56 Milton Commuter and the #96 St. Albans LINK into
- 58 one route is planned for August 2025. Also of note is the continued conversations related to the possible GMT
- 59 rural transfer to Rural Community Transit (RCT) which could shift some of the public transit available in
- 60 Franklin county to a new provider.
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- 62 • **TAC future changes discussion**
- 63 NRPC staff has identified possible adjustments to TAC membership, tasks, etc. that could serve as a roadmap for
- 64 future changes and focuses of the committee.
- 65 • K. Grenier discussed possible adjustments to the TAC as identified by NRPC staff. TAC members offered
- 66 opinions and additional ideas. A new draft will be assembled and next steps brought to a future meeting.
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- 68 • **Minutes of the February 13, 2025 Meeting**
- 69 S. Brown motioned to approve the February 13, 2025 meeting minutes as printed. H. Britch-Valenta seconded.
- 70 The motion carried unanimously.
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- 72 • **TAC Member and Staff Updates**
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- **Other Business**

- Next meeting: June 12, 2025

B. Morris adjourned the meeting at 8:07PM as quorum was lost a few minutes prior due to the departure of one member.