

Franklin Grand Isle Mobility Advisory Committee

Thursday, August 28, 2025, Meeting Summary

Present: Jordan Posner/CIDER, Kyle Grenier/NRPC, Tim Bradshaw/GMT, Nicole Grisgraber/Care Partners, Jon Moore/GMT, Kathy Lavoie/NRPC, Dan Currier/VTRANS, Jon Moore/GMT, Marlena Valenta/NRPC (guest), Katie Coe/HireAbility, Jacqui Kelley/VDOH, Connie Beal/United Way

Meeting Opened at 2:05 p.m.

- 1) **Adjustments to Agenda: None**
- 2) **Committee & Guest Introductions:**
- 3) **Approval of Minutes:** May 29, 2025: Katie, motion to accept; Nicole, seconded ~ Approved
- 4) **Monthly Presenter: Marlena Valenta, NRPC on Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant (St. Albans City & NRPC)**
 - a) Transportation Needs Assessment (NRPC) to be completed
 - b) Working Group Demographics and Who Is Missing
 - c) Previous endeavors
 - d) GoVT, Car & Van Pooling
 - e) Last Mile & First Mile, Point to Point
 - f) Will Return for Update in December
- 5) **Budget & Financials: Tim Bradshaw, GMT**
 - a) Local Agreements Signed
 - b) Mid-Year Adjustments will be allowed but very limited
 - c) Will now send Monthly Updates
 - d) Volunteer Drivers a large focus
 - e) Demand Response Services vs Fixed Routes
- 6) **Status of Transition for Rural Routes: Jon Moore, GMT**
 - a) Discussed collaboration meeting to ensure smooth transition: GMT, RCT, Vtrans, NRPC (Catherine, Kyle Bob B.)
 - b) Discussed Medicaid Transportation Program: GMT Contract; potential for a private bidder.
- 7) **Potential Partner Presentations: None**
- 8) **Discussion on future Guest Speakers:**

Jordan to contact Caleb Grant from Rural Community Transportation (RCT).
- 9) **Partner Program Updates, Concerns Announcements:**
 - a) Jordan discussed match relative to high demands, increased staff, and lowest transit rate in State.
 - b) Nicole discussed full buses coming from Chittenden County, busing need for Richford, full capacity on Wednesdays & Thursday, working with GMT, CIDER, CCTA to meet needs, hoping RCT can better serve
 - c) Katie discussed tight funding, increase support needed for high school students going into Senior year.
- 10) **Public Comment: None**
- 11) **Next Meeting: December 18, 2:00-3:30 NOTE: Approximate Monthly Meeting Months: February, May, June (Annual Summit), August, December**
- 12) **Adjournment: 2:40 p.m.**