



## MEETING MINUTES:

Northwest Regional Planning Commission  
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

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

Thursday October 9, 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)		Fletcher	Matt Gillian	O	Franklin	Yvon Dandurand	X
Georgia	Suzanna Brown		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	X	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.

X = In person

O = Online

*Chair, Barclay Morris called the meeting to order at 6:34PM.*

#### • Adjustments to the Agenda

No adjustments were made

#### • Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks

Welcomed new Franklin member, Yvon Dandurand.

#### • Opportunity for Public Comment

No public comment was made.

#### • TAC member time survey discussion

9 members responded with preferred TAC meeting start times. The most common time of interest was 6:00pm.

27 Earl Fournier motioned for the start time of monthly TAC meetings change from 6:30pm to 6:00pm. Yvon  
28 Dandurand seconded. The motion carried.  
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30 • **Planning for Possible Bi-Annual Regional Transportation Roundtable with Local Legislators:**

31 Every other year, legislators have been invited to a TAC meeting to discuss priority and/or emerging regional  
32 issues. The committee will decide if this will continue and discuss details.

- 33 • TAC discussed and decided to hold the event at the next scheduled TAC meeting: Thursday, November  
34 13 at 6:00pm. Location to be determined and communicated by K. Grenier
- 35 • Topics for discussion:
  - 36 ○ Funding – Federal and Local
    - 37 ▪ Concerns about continued cuts in Federal funding: what does that mean for local  
38 projects? How will annual grants be affected? Are new projects being accepted?
    - 39 ▪ Are there budgetary concerns for fewer gasoline tax dollars statewide?
  - 40 ○ Review project priorities as outlined in the current Regional Plan
    - 41 ▪ What priorities and concerns are the legislators hearing about?
  - 42 ○ International Travel
    - 43 ▪ Highgate Local Port of Entry (LPOE) project
    - 44 ▪ Canadian relationship and travel considerations
    - 45 ▪ Proposed Welcome Center updates

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47 • **Upcoming Grant opportunities and deadlines**

48 Better Roads Grant Applications. Deadline 10/31/2025

49 Better Connections Applications. Pre Application deadline 10/24/25. Application deadline 10/31/2025

50 Municipal Planning Grant. Application deadline 11/3/2025

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52 • **Minutes of the July 10, 2025 Meeting**

53 B. Buermann motioned to approve the July 10, 2025 meeting minutes as printed. H. Britch-Valenta seconded.  
54 The motion carried with one abstention.  
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56 • **TAC Member and Staff Updates**

57 K. Grenier noted the upcoming Complete Streets training on 10/30/25 at the Swanton Village Complex.

58 K. Grenier noted that Catherine Dimitruk requested that the Regional Transportation Projects section in the  
59 Northwest Regional Plan be updated. K. Grenier to bring to the TAC at a future meeting for review.  
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61 • **Other Business**

62 Next meeting: November 13, 2025  
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64 E. Fournier motioned to adjourn the meeting. H. Britch-Valenta seconded. The motion carried. The meeting  
65 adjourned at 7:34PM