



**MEETING MINUTES:**

Northwest Regional Planning Commission  
 Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)  
 NRPC Conference Room, 75 Fairfield Street, St. Albans, VT 05478  
 Thursday February 13, 2025 - 6:30-8:00 PM  
 Hybrid Meeting Format: in person and remote  
 Meeting was held virtually only, due to weather

**Attendance**

Municipality	Rep.	Present	Municipality	Rep.	Present	Municipality	Rep.	Present
Alburgh Town	Vacant		Alburgh Village	Jason Beaulac		Bakersfield	Vacant	
Enosburg Falls	Gary Denton		Enosburg Town	Joey Clark		Fairfax	Brent Sheets	
Fairfield	Dr. Lynda Ulrich Cathy Ainsworth (alt)		Fletcher	Vacant		Franklin	Peter Magnant	O
Georgia	Suzanna Brown	O	Grand Isle	Barclay Morris	O	Highgate	Vacant	
Isle La Motte	Vacant		Montgomery	Mark Brouillette		Richford	Wally Steinhour	
Sheldon	Seth Hungerford		South Hero	Bob Buermann	O	St. Albans City	Vacant	
St. Albans Town	David Allerton John Montagne (alt)	O	Swanton Town	Harold Garrett Earl Fournier (alt)	O	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:** Online: Kyle Grenier (NRPC), Matthew Arancio (VAOT), Megan Sherlund (St. Albans Town)  
 X = In person  
 O = Online

*Chair, Harold Garrett called the meeting to order at 6:34PM*

- **Adjustments to the Agenda**
- **Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks**
- **Opportunity for Public Comment**
- **US 7 North Shared Use Path Scoping Study** – Megan Sherlund, St. Albans Town Dir. Community Development
  - M. Sherlund provided an overview of the current study, highlighting the three alternatives presented at the January 22, 2025 Alternatives Presentation.
  - TAC member comments bolstered focus on safety and opportunity of bike/pedestrian connection between St. Albans City, MVRT trailhead, and the commercial area surrounding the Highgate Shopping Plaza.

- 28 • **MVRT Management Plan input tool**
- 29 • K. Grenier provided an overview of the MVRT Management Plan project, with a focus on opportunities to
- 30 collect public input through the online collection tool provided by VTrans and VHB.
- 31 • B. Morris mentioned opportunities for more general input, in addition to the site-specific input that the tool
- 32 allows. Also, more opportunities for Trail Friendly Business listing access that do not require the use of
- 33 technology.
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- 35 • **Northwest highlights from the 2026 Transportation Plan** (as recommended by Governor Scott)
- 36 • K. Grenier provided a general overview of projects listed within the proposed FY26 transportation budget.
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- 38 • **Minutes of the January 9, 2025 Meeting**
- 39 B. Morris motioned to approve the January 9, 2025 meeting minutes as printed. B. Buermann seconded. The
- 40 motion carried.
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- 42 • **TAC Member and Staff Updates**
- 43 • B. Morris mentioned the proposed bill, VT S0066, an act relating to motor vehicle noise, exhaust modifications,
- 44 and engine compression brakes.
- 45 • P. Magnant informed the TAC that February 13, 2025 would be his final meeting as a TAC member. A round of
- 46 sincere thanks and well-wishes was shared.
- 47 • K. Grenier noted funding changes to Town Highway Bridge Program projects in Sheldon and Enosburg, which
- 48 were once 100% funded, but now require a local match. Overview of summer data collection and intern plans.
- 49 NRPC's involvement with CCRPC and VTrans project at the intersection of US 2 and Clay Point Road in
- 50 Colchester.
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- 52 • **Other Business**
- 53 • Next meeting: March 13, 2025
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- 55 P. Magnant motioned to adjourn the meeting. B. Morris seconded. The motion carried. The meeting
- 56 adjourned at 8:02PM
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