

Addison County Regional Planning Commission

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TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, February 20th, 2019

Location: Addison County Regional Planning Commission office, 14 Seminary Street, Middlebury, VT

Members Present:

Addison: Jeff Nelson	Orwell:
Bridport: Andrew Manning	Panton: Howard Hall
Bristol: Peter Grant (6:55)	Ripton: Norm Tjossem
Cornwall:	Salisbury:
Ferrisburgh: Steve Huffaker	Shoreham: Karen Shacket
Goshen:	Starksboro:
Leicester: Diane Benware	Vergennes: Brent Rakowski
Lincoln: Will Sipsey, Chair	Waltham:
Middlebury:	Weybridge:
Monkton:	Whiting:
New Haven: Mike Audy	

ACRPC Staff: Mike Winslow

AGENDA

Call to Order: 6:30PM

Approval of January 16, 2019 TAC Meeting Minutes

Moved: Mike A. Seconded: Diane Passed Unanimously

Transportation Updates from Mike

- 125 knoll letter – Signatures on the draft letter included in the meeting packet have been received from Cornwall, Middlebury, and Middlebury College. Bridport has also agreed to sign-on
- Mike shared the letter received from New Haven Selectboard that was addressed to the TAC and included in the meeting materials
- Mike discussed the revised schedule for the 22A truck study. The Vergennes Opera House was not available for March 27th so the date for the final public meeting was pushed to April 2. Because of the delay, the consultant requested and was granted extra time to work on the report and presentation. The consultant will report to the TAC at the March meeting and a draft for review is anticipated at least one week prior to that meeting. Jeff requested that the project be wrapped up as soon as possible after public meeting. He does not want to see it drag on.

- ACRPC currently has three transportation related RFPs open: Old Town Bridge in Ripton, and an intersection study in Monkton both funded through the TAC and a Master Planning project for a bike loop to connect New Haven, Vergennes, Middlebury and Bristol funded through a Municipal Planning Grant. Mike has received questions on all three RFPs.

FY21 Capital Project Prioritization

Town Bridges: Motion to forward the prioritizations as follows: 1. Leicester – Bridge 4, 2. Salisbury-Cornwall – Bridge 8, 3. Vergennes 22A. Moved by Karen. Seconded by Steve. All in favor.

State Bridges: It is the understanding of the TAC that the Weybridge-New Haven project (Bridge 8) has already been completed so it was not ranked. There was some discussion as to whether or not the Bristol project (Bridge 12) had been completed. Since there was no consensus it included in the vote. Motion to forward the prioritization as follows: 1. Middlebury (rail bridge), 2. Bristol. Moved by Jeff. Seconded by Peter. All in favor.

Roadway: Motion to forward the prioritizations as follows: 1. Ripton – guardrail, slope and remediation on 125, 2. Fair Haven-Orwell – widening 22A, 3. New Haven – reconstruction on Route 7, and 4. Brandon-Leicester – reconstruction of Route 7. Moved by Karen. Seconded by Brent. All in favor.

Paving: ACRPC received only one paving project from VTrans for prioritization – New Haven/Bristol on Route 17 and that was ranked first. However there are three projects on the VTransparency website scheduled to occur during FY21 so the TAC ranked these in their prioritizations. Motion to forward the prioritization as follows: 1. New Haven/Bristol Route 17, 2. Vergennes Route 22A, 3. Bristol downtown Route 17, 3. Middlebury Route 7, and 4. Middlebury Routes 125 and 30. Moved by Jeff. Seconded by Karen. All in favor.

Other Business

- Mike noted that at the Road Foremen’s meeting on 2/19 a question was asked if any towns had a written policy about public use of sand and salt from town stockpiles. Different towns have different understandings but none knew of a written policy. New Haven does have a sign at their public sand pile that limits the amount any individual can take. Howard recommended consulting VLCT for any Model language.
- Peter reiterated concerns about the ridge in the pavement at the intersection of Rt. 116 and River Road following the paving project last summer.

Adjourn 7:20PM

UPCOMING GRANTS, DEADLINES, ETC.

- [Vermont Ecosystem Restoration Program Grants](#) Application Due Date: March 11, 2019 by 4PM
- [Downtown Transportation Fund](#) Application Due Date: March 11, 2019