

Addison County Regional Planning Commission

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TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Addison:	Orwell: Andrea Ochs
Bridport: Andrew Manning	Panton: Howard Hall
Bristol:	Ripton: Norm Tjossem
Cornwall:	Salisbury:
Ferrisburgh:	Shoreham: Karen Shackett
Goshen:	Starksboro:
Leicester:	Vergennes: Brent Rakowski, Vice-Chair
Lincoln:	Waltham: Jeff Glassberg
Middlebury: Hugh McLaughlin	Weybridge:
Monkton:	Whiting:
New Haven: Mike Audy	
Staff: Mike Winslow Public: none	

AGENDA

- Call to Order: 6:30PM
- Approval of February 16, 2022 TAC Meeting Minutes. Moved by Karen, Second by Jeff. All in favor. Norm abstained
- Up-coming TAC elections in April - Mike informed the TAC that Will Sipsey has decided not to return to the TAC, following his recent town election loss. Therefore, we will have at least one open seat at next month's TAC elections. Mike urged members to consider who they would like to see as the Chair and Vice-Chair.
- Competitive Infrastructure Funding Opportunities - A summary of funding sources was shared with the TAC prior to the meeting. At the meeting, Mike shared a recording of Costa Pappis's (VTrans) presentation to state transportation planners at a February meeting. The summary is that there's a lot of money that will be available to communities over the next five years. It's an opportunity to think about regionally important transportation projects.
- Project Prioritization
 - VTrans Asset Driven Bridge Projects - Mike gave an overview of the VPSP2 process and outlined how the TAC would approach project prioritization over the next few months. He then identified the seven Addison County bridges identified by VTrans as potential future projects. The presentation has been posted to the [ACRPC website](#).

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- o Potential Regionally Driven Bridge Projects - Mike shared a list of the bridges identified in the regional plan and the bridges identified during the last project prioritization cycle in 2020. The list included status information and a summary of the latest inspection report when applicable. The list has been posted to the [ACRPC website](#).
- o At the April meeting, the TAC will score the Asset Driven bridges identified by VTrans and finalize a list of Regionally Driven potential bridge projects (if there are any). In May the TAC will finalize scoring on the Regionally Driven potential bridge projects.
- Transportation Updates from Mike
 - o Status of TAC grants - Dubois and King has been contracted to work on the Bristol Airport Rd. sidewalk study and the Middlebury Boardman St. pedestrian connectivity project. They are in the process of setting up kickoff meetings. The Ripton Old Town Road project is out to RFP with proposals due 3/25.
 - o Complete Streets Reporting - Mike requested that TAC members ask their towns if they have shared Complete Streets reports with him. These include notice of any paving projects or culvert replacements.
 - o Vergennes PELS - The Policy Committee met and accepted the Purpose and Needs Statement. This is the first important concurrence point in the PELS process. Next step is public workshops scheduled for late May. The workshops will be used to finalize a list of alternatives to meet the Purpose and Need and establish criteria upon which the alternatives will be evaluated.
 - o Other - Bike and pedestrian grants will be opening soon. ACRPC intends to apply for funding for signs for the Triangle Bike Loop. Towns along the route will be asked to supply letters of support committing town labor to installation of the signs.
- Other Business/Roundtable
 - o Orwell - VTrans came to an Orwell Selectboard meeting to talk about 22A. The meeting went very well.
 - o Ripton - Work is on-going on 125 in the Ripton gorge.
 - o Middlebury - ACRPC met with town staff to finalize the route of the Triangle Bike Loop through town. We are now optimistic that Middlebury will be able to participate in the grant to purchase signs.
- Adjourn - 7:21
- Addendum - not mentioned at meeting - [Registration is now open for the Vermont Walk Bike Summit hosted in Middlebury on May 6.](#)

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Grant Opportunities:

Structures and Paving Grants - Contact VTrans District Tech.

2022 REMAINING TAC MEETING SCHEDULE

	August 17
April 20	September 21
May 18	October 19
June 15	November 16
July No Meeting	December No Meeting

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