# Addison County Regional Planning Commission

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### TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Addison:		Orwell:	Andrea Treadway (v .chair)
Bridport:	Andrew Manning	Panton:	
Bristol:		Ripton:	Norm Tjossem
Cornwall:		Salisbury:	
Ferrisburgh:		Shoreham:	
Goshen:		Starksboro:	
Leicester:		Vergennes:	Brent Rakowski (chair)
Lincoln:	Amanda Allen	Waltham:	
Middlebury:		Weybridge:	
Monkton:	Debra Sprague	Whiting:	
New Haven:	Mike Audy		
Staff: Mike Winslow		Public:	

### **AGENDA**

- Call to Order: 6:30PM
- Amendments to the Agenda none
- Approval of March 20, 2024 Minutes. Moved by Andrea. Second by Norm. All in favor.
- Annual TAC Elections. Mike A. moved to nominate Brent as chair and Andrea as vice-chair. Second by Norm. All in favor.
- Regional Plan Updates
  - o Discuss Bridge Priorities The TAC reviewed the 2020 prioritization list and the suggestions for additional work that were included in the TAC packet.
    - Mike A. would like the Dog Team Bridge moved up on the prioritization list.
    - Vergennes Bridge 27 and Lincoln Bridge 46, would come off the list because they are being added to a new table for bridges that already have project numbers.
    - Norm asked to add the Ripton 125 bridge (Flower Bridge). The suggestion received support from the group. Compared to Old Town Rd., the Flower Bridge is a higher priority.
    - Norm asked for consideration of Ripton Bridge B-2 where there's a culvert and a bridge.
    - Mike W. will double check Bridge 5 in Bridport as to why it came off the 2017 list

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- Mike W. will reach out to Starksboro about the bridge on Gore Rd.
- Andrea suggested lowering the Middlebury Bidges priority (but not removing it from the list.)
- Mike W. will incorporate the information from this meeting and update the priority list for review at a future TAC meeting.
- o Renew discussion starting with pg. 6-27/VT Route 125 (<u>spreadsheet on state corridor pavement conditions available here</u>)
  - The TAC asked that information about the VTrans safety study on 125 be added to that section. Any suggestions from that study should be included in the plan action items.
  - Mike W. noted that he has asked the Walk Bike Council of Addison County to weigh in on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Section. And he has asked TVT to weigh in on the Transit section. Both entities have been asked to supply comments before the June TAC meeting.
  - If TAC members have any sections they would like to see have further discussion, they should let Mike W. know. He can add those items to the agenda for a May meeting or incorporate changes and circulate a revised plan to the TAC.
  - The goal is to have a fully revised version of the plan to present to the TAC at the June meeting.
- Transportation Updates from Mike
  - o Sign up for Grants in Aid funds due by May 10
  - o Walk Bike Summit Thursday June 20 in St. Johnsbury
    - Call for Proposals due April 30th
  - o Bike and Ped. Grants due June 14th. Application training webinar May 15th.
  - o Five Addison County towns have received funding through the TAP/Stormwater Mitigation grant program. Bristol and Ferrisburgh have received funds for sidewalk construction where the initial feasibility assessments were completed with TAC grants.
  - o Mike W. reported that he is aware of three TAC members who will be stepping down: Karen Shackett of Shoreham, Jeff Glassberg of Waltham, and Bill Finger of Lincoln. Mike A. asked that the TAC extend thanks to past members for their service.
- Other Business/Roundtable
  - o Vergennes
    - Repair work on the Main St. bridge begins 4/18 and will continue for an estimated two weeks. During that time, the bridge will be down to one lane.

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The Planning Commission has drafted an opinion on the different options being presented as part of the PELS process and shared that with the City Council. Once the City Council acts on it, Brent will share with the TAC. He invited other communities to take the same approach to register positions on the proposed routes.

#### o Orwell

- Will be completing GIA Notice of Intent to participate at their next Selectboard meeting
- Andrea is encouraged that VTrans has started surveying on 22A.
- o Bridport Bridge #5 has had work performed.
- o Lincoln
  - They are kicking off a traffic calming study on Friday. This project was funded by a TAC grant
  - The town had begun some bridge repairs on Sugarbush Rd., a dead end road that serves about five properties. An officer of the State asked about a hydrology study before the work could continue. That meeting will take place Friday.
- New Haven will meet with Jim Cota of VTrans District 5 about the Dog Team Road Bridge and town options for limiting overweight traffic on the Bridge.
- Mike A moved to adjourn. Andrea seconded. Adjourn 7:27 PM

**Note:** adopted meeting minutes are also available online at the ACRPC website under agendas and minutes. For your convenience, the latest version of the TAC Bylaws are linked here also: <a href="http://www.acrpc.org/transportation/">http://www.acrpc.org/transportation/</a>

## **Grant Opportunities:**

• <u>Bike and Ped. Grants</u> due June 14th. Application training webinar May 15th.

#### 2024 TAC MEETING SCHEDULE

May 15	June 19	
July - no meeting	August 21	
September 18	October 16	
November 20	December - no meeting	

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