

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, August 19, 2026

Addison:		Orwell:	Andrea Treadway (chair)
Bridport:	Sharon Macklin	Panton:	Kyle Rowe
Bristol:		Ripton:	Norm Tjossem
Cornwall:		Salisbury:	
Ferrisburgh:		Shoreham:	
Goshen:		Starksboro:	
Leicester:		Vergennes:	Shannon Haggett
Lincoln:	Ken Stockman	Waltham:	Michael Grace
Middlebury:		Weybridge:	
Monkton:	Tom Steadman	Whiting:	
New Haven:	Mike Audy		
ACRPC Staff	Mike Winslow	Other	John Roleau (New Haven)

AGENDA

- Call to Order: 6:30PM
- Amendments to the Agenda - none
- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of [Minutes from June](#) meeting . Moved by Shannon. Second by Kyle. All in favor.
- Chair and Vice Chair Elections
 - Andrea volunteered to be chair
 - Kyle volunteered to be vice-chair
 - Shannon moved to approve the slate of officers. Norm seconded. All in favor
- TAC Survey – Mike W. reported that VTrans has established a work group to look at TACs around the state. As part of that work group, they have distributed surveys about TAC participation which went out to the ACRPC TAC on 6/23 and again on 8/3.

Thank you to the eight members who have responded so far. If you have not responded, please do so by the end of the week.

- TAC Grant Requests – The draft FY27 Transportation budget includes \$60,000 for consultant fees for the TAC to allocate, which typically allows for two studies. Four towns have requested access to those fees.
 - Bristol - downtown access study
 - Ferrisburgh - asset management plan
 - Monkton - parking in the downtown village area
 - New Haven - traffic calming measures on VT17 through the center of town

This TAC meeting is an opportunity to request additional information from the applicants and discuss initial feelings about the proposals. Depending on the mood of the TAC, you may wait until September for any actions to allow more time for response to questions, rank projects between now and September to prepare a motion based on the rankings, or suggest two of the four projects for funding at this meeting.

- Andrea handed the floor to New Haven to discuss their proposal. John Roleau explained that New Haven has received feedback from town organizations about the need for traffic control as part of a village center designation. A traffic study has revealed speeds over 70 mph through the stretch of road. Hills on either approach reduce visibility for pedestrians and drivers. Would be looking to explore traffic calming measures to include an interactive crosswalk sign.
 - Tom asked about enforcement. John noted that there's no good pull-off for the Sheriff to stage at. The town had used the speed trailers and that worked well. Andrea mentioned that the sheriff helped Orwell get a trailer for themselves.
- Monkton requested funding to find parking opportunities in the Village Center. There used to be parking in front of the cemetery, but that area is owned by the cemetery, and their insurance has suggested parking shouldn't be publicly available.
 - Shannon noted that the project is in the Village Center designation and in concordance with their municipal plan. Mike W. mentioned that Monkton has also requested funding from VTTrans for a sidewalk in the area.
- Ferrisburgh's request is similar to what ACRPC is currently doing with Bridport, Cornwall, Ripton, and Shoreham

- Bristol. Mike W clarified that there's one application, but it came in two files.
 - Andrea recited previous grants that Bristol has received.
- Andrea opened the floor for discussion
 - Kyle identified Monkton and New Haven as the most compelling.
 - Shannon agreed and noted that the Ferrisburgh's asset management study would be his third pick.
 - Ken agreed with regard to New Haven. He also articulated the potential economic impact of the Bristol project
 - Norm would like to hear more from Bristol.
 - The TAC agreed to table the conversation until September. And would like to have Bristol and Ferrisburgh to present their case.
- Transportation Updates from Mike W.
 - FY28 Better Roads Grants – Should be released soon and will be due in October. There was a change in due dates starting last year; these used to be due in December. Please reach out if your town would like assistance in developing a grant. Last year only one Addison County town received a grant.
- Other Business/Roundtable
 - Ripton – VT125 is open. It was closed for 10 days. There's still roadside work to do, but it won't be closed less than one lane for that work.
 - Mike A. asked about the bridge in the village, but it isn't on any project lists currently. It has been identified in the Regional Plan as a priority
 - New Haven – paving now, but the mileage of new paving has been cut back. The Selectboard is discussing closing the Dog Team Bridge. Andrea suggested talking to Shoreham about steps they needed to take to close the bridge. Ken noted the Selectboard has the ability to close the bridge based on their experience with York Hill Rd.
 - Monkton – on-going issue with Piney Woods Rd. They've been told they will need three box culverts to reopen the road. Tyler Bridge Rd. has had a temporary fix. The Selectboard has been hesitant to change the weight limit on Tyler Bridge Rd. but have learned they have the authority to do so. Hollow Rd. has a structure that is sagging as well. There have been issues with equipment that has led to down time for the town crew.
 - Bridport – yellow lines on Lake St. Have been recently painted
 - Vergennes – reduced paving and sidewalk budgets. Saturday is Vergennes Day

- Panton has replaced 9 culverts in the last six weeks in preparation for paving. They've increased their paving budget this year to comply with a new paving plan.
 - Kyle is on the VLCT board and policy committee. They've been working on a transportation section that he will share with the TAC. He invited ideas from other TAC members
- Lincoln – just finished paving South Lincoln Rd. to the Gap Rd. Also just got their yellow lines repainted. ACRPC has completed a new Road Erosion Inventory project and Lincoln will be studying it for future projects. They are preparing to award contracts for an engineering study on River Rd. Have finalized design for York Hill Rd. Bridge, but work is still three years out.
- Orwell – new salt shed is up and full. The Town contracted with Barrett's to fill the shed because salt was \$2.50/ton cheaper. Extra money in the budget was used to paint an old building so it the buildings around the new shed match. They have had trouble with vandals marring new yellow lines. Have not had a problem with their new ATV/UTV ordinance. Complaints haven't articulated actual enforcement needs.
- Adjourn . Move to adjourn Mike A. Second Sharon. Adjourn 7:19 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: <http://www.acrpc.org/transportation/>

2026 TAC MEETING SCHEDULE

September 16	October 21
November 18	December - no meeting