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ADDISON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 28, 2004

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission's Executive Board meeting was held at the regional planning commission's office in Middlebury with Don Shall presiding.

ROLL CALL

Orwell

Cornwall Don Shall, Chair

Middlebury

Monkton Thea Gaudette,

New Haven

Waltham

Whiting Ellen Kurrelmeyer

STAFF

Adam Lougee

BUSINESS MEETING:

The Executive Board did not have a quorum, so did not convene a meeting. It received information on the items on the agenda beginning at 7:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Deferred.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The board reviewed the treasurer's report. Adam noted that the budget is on track and the balances reflect that.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The group skipped over committee reports.

Local Government Committee:

ACT 250:

Economic Development:

Natural Resources:

Transportation Advisory Committee:

Utilities and Facilities:

OLD BUSINESS

VAPDA minutes: Adam distributed the minutes for December.

VELCO Update: Adam noted that he had supplied pre-filed testimony at the last full commission meeting. Interrogatory responses were due Friday January 31st and that all the aesthetic consultants for the project had scheduled a meeting for February 4th. He noted that hearings would start shortly. He concluded that participating in this docket was taking a large amount of time and resources.

Other: None

NEW BUSINESS

HSU Grant Application: Adam passed out a summary of the grant application ACRPC had submitted in conjunction with the local emergency Planning Committee (“LEPC”). The application applies for approximately \$140,000 to equip towns with computers and software to allow them to work with the federal Homeland Security Unit and to provide for disaster training and exercises throughout the county.

VNRC Application for Outstanding Waters Designation: Adam distributed a summary of the application of VNRC to the Water Resources Board requesting that the Board designate certain waters within the Green Mountain National Forest. Adam also handed out the map of waters requested. He noted that not many are in Addison County. He also noted that he had spoken with Jeff Whiting of the Goshen Selectboard, and they were concerned about the designation’s impact on their ability to maintain roads within the forest. Adam noted that he still had not been able to determine the consequences of the designation, but because of its limited scope in Addison County, and the time he was spending on VELCO he was not inclined to enter an appearance. The executive Board instructed Adam to pass the information to the Natural Resources Committee and to participate or not pursuant to the committee’s direction.

Other: The Executive Board asked Adam to re-distribute the Acronym list.

Orwell Joint Commission. Adam also noted that he had received a request from the Town of Orwell to appoint a member of the RPC to a joint commission that they were forming to jointly purchase a piece of property for a community recreation area. The Executive Board asked Adam to speak with the delegates from Orwell to determine their interest in serving.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by: Adam G. Lougee