

Addison County Regional Planning Commission Annual Meeting 2002

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

The Addison County Regional Planning Commission's Annual Meeting was held on May 8, 2002 at Mary's Restaurant in Bristol with Harvey Smith presiding.

ROLL CALL:

<i>Addison:</i>		<i>Orwell:</i>	David King
<i>Bridport:</i>	Edward Payne	<i>Panton:</i>	David Raphael
	Kent Wright		
<i>Bristol:</i>	William Sayre	<i>Ripton:</i>	
	Peter Grant		
<i>Cornwall:</i>	Donald Shall	<i>Salisbury:</i>	
<i>Ferrisburgh:</i>	Chester Hawkins	<i>Shoreham:</i>	William O'Neill
<i>Goshen:</i>	Chad Chamberlain	<i>Starksboro:</i>	
<i>Leicester:</i>		<i>Vergennes:</i>	Randy Friday
<i>Lincoln:</i>		<i>Waltham:</i>	Thomas Yager
<i>Middlebury:</i>	Fred Dunnington	<i>Weybridge:</i>	
	Karl Neuse		
<i>Monkton:</i>	Thea Gaudette	<i>Whiting:</i>	Ellen Kurrelmeyer
	Charles Huizenga		
<i>New Haven:</i>	Harvey Smith		
	Allen Karnatz		

CITIZEN INTEREST REPRESENTATIVES:

AC Chamber of Commerce:
AC Community Action Group:
AC Economic Development Corp:
Otter Creek Audubon Society:

STAFF:

Adam Lougee
Kevin Behm
Tim Bouton
Brandy Saxton
Hillary Spitz

Business Meeting

Approval of Minutes: April 13, 2002

Peter Grant moved to approve the minutes from April 13, 2002. Don Shall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of Executive Board Minutes: no discussion

Treasurer's Report:

Adam said there are still strong balances and that the commission is in good financial shape. **Peter Grant moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Ellen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Committee Reports:

TAC: Tom Yager said an RFP came in for the Bristol Traffic Study and a proposal was accepted from Lamoureux and Dickinson

Local Government: no activity.

Act 250: Fred said no new applications have been submitted. Adam said one came in for Rte. 7 in Charlotte, regarding a request for an extension of construction time.

Natural Resources: David Raphael said that on May 13th there will be a meeting to review the TMDL and to discuss the response to a letter sent to Steven Syz of the Agency of Natural Resources. On May 15th at 6 pm will be a meeting to discuss the TMDL at Kirk Alumni Auditorium.

Housing: no activity.

New Business:

Work Plan: Adam discussed the changes to the commission's work plan. The Web site has been significantly improved, thanks mainly to Brandy, and Adam encouraged everyone to visit www.acrpc.org to see all the improvements.

Adam said that the commission would like to expand on the housing plan to keep the regional plan up to date and start work on the Utilities and Facilities section of the plan. There are some contentious land use issues coming up in the county, and he'd like to be able to make a statement on those issues.

Another issue is the Celebration Champlain initiative, which is a transportation initiative. Transportation studies include the bike/ped study, and the Vergennes, Bristol and Middlebury corridor management plan. They would also like to develop a hazard plan to help prepare for both natural and manmade disasters. Plans will be brought forth to the selectboards. Watershed planning initiatives will also be an important part of the plan. **Fred moved to approve the Work Plan, Ellen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

Budget: Adam submitted a revised budget, which was the same as the one Kevin distributed at the last meeting except for the funds from DCA. The proposed budget includes \$4000 more. This revenue will largely go towards transportation initiatives. Adam then addressed some of questions that Randy Friday raised at the last meeting. Adam said that rent has gone up \$50 per month, insurance has gone up, and additional staff has been added. **Peter moved to approve the budget. Fred seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.**

Vote on Amendments of the Population and Housing Section of the Plan: Peter Grant motioned to adopt the housing element of the plan. David Raphael seconded the motion. Nineteen of 31 delegates were in attendance, representing a 60% quorum. A vote was held. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Vote on Re-adoption of the entire Regional Plan: David Raphael motioned to adopt the plan, Peter seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Project Impact: Tim Bouton noted that he had started working to implement the Project Impact projects for Addison County selected by the Project Impact Committee last year, but that we did not get as far in spending as we

had hoped. Adam distributed a summary Tim had created explaining what had been accomplished and what still needed to be completed on each of the Project Impact projects.

Nominating Committee Report: The committee nominates Harvey Smith for chair, Thea Gaudette for vice chair, Ellen Kurrelmeyer for secretary, and Don Shall for treasurer. The committee also nominated Tom Yager, Karl Neuse and David King for “at large” members. There were no further nominations from the floor. **Bill Sayre moved to approve the slate. Fred seconded. The slate passed unanimously.**

Other: Harvey thanked the commission for attending and allowing the commission to pass the amendments to the plan. Bill Sayre recognized Kent Wright for his service over the years and thanked him for the great job he's done. The commission's staff was also thanked for their efforts.

Adjournment

Peter Grant moved to adjourn. Fred Dunnington seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.

Submitted by Ursula Jones