

Meeting Minutes
Addison County Regional Planning Commission
Wednesday, May 11, 2011

ACRPC held its Annual Meeting at the Bridport Community Hall in Bridport on May 11, 2011 with Thea Gaudette, the Chair, presiding.

ROLL CALL:

<i>Addison:</i>	Tim Davis Barbara Supeno	<i>Panton:</i>	Michael Hermann
<i>Bridport:</i>	Andrew Manning Ed Payne	<i>Ripton:</i>	Jeremy Grip
<i>Bristol:</i>	William Sayre Garland "Chico" Martin	<i>Salisbury:</i>	Bryan Jones
<i>Cornwall:</i>		<i>Shoreham:</i>	
<i>Ferrisburgh:</i>		<i>Starksboro:</i>	
<i>Goshen:</i>		<i>Vergennes:</i>	
<i>Leicester:</i>		<i>Waltham:</i>	
<i>Lincoln:</i>	Steve Revell	<i>Weybridge:</i>	
<i>Middlebury:</i>	Fred Dunnington	<i>Whiting:</i>	Ellen Kurrelmeyer
<i>Monkton:</i>	Thea Gaudette		
<i>New Haven:</i>	Harvey Smith		
<i>Orwell:</i>			

CITIZEN INTEREST REPRESENTATIVES:

<i>Addison County Farm Bureau:</i>	Kent Wright
<i>Addison County Economic Development Corp:</i>	Harvey Smith
<i>Otter Creek Audubon Society:</i>	Margaret Lowe
<i>Otter Creek Natural Resources:</i>	
<i>Addison County Chamber of Commerce:</i>	

ACRPC EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chair: Thea Gaudette
Vice-Chair: Harvey Smith
Secretary: Ellen Kurrelmeyer
Treasurer: Jeremy Grip
At Large: Steve Revell
William Sayre
Andrew Manning

STAFF

Executive Director: Adam Lougee
Assistant Director/GIS Manager: Kevin Behm
EM/Senior Planner: Tim Bouton
Transportation/Senior Planner: Richard Kehne
Land use Planner: Claire Tebbs
Office Manager/Bookkeeper: Pauline Cousino
Regional Planner: Kevin Lehman

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ACTIVITY: Prior to the meeting, members of the ACRPC had the opportunity to visit the Blue Spruce Farm owned by the Audet family in Bridport. Marie Audet took the commission on a tour of the facilities highlighting the innovative practices the farm engages in to reduce its electric footprint, utilize its waste streams and reduce the amount of runoff from the farm to the lake. These included efficient motors in the milking parlor, its cowpower program to produce electricity and bedding material and its farm fertilization/liquid manure disposal systems. Thank you Marie for a very informative tour!

PROGRAM: Adam introduced our speaker for this evening, Diane Bothfeld, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture for the State of Vermont. Ms. Bothfeld gave an excellent speech regarding the condition of Vermont dairy agriculture and took questions from the commissioners about dairy agriculture in Addison County and Vermont.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Thea called the Business Meeting to order to address the limited agenda before the Commission.

I. Old Business:

1. **Revisions to the FY 2010/2011 Budget and Approval of the FY2011/2012 Budget and Workplan:** Adam introduced the proposed amendments to this year's budget (2010/2011) and the approval of the 2011/2012 Budget and Workplan together. Adam explained he had to revise the current year's budget in order to create next year's budget. He noted that he had presented nearly the same information at the previous monthly meeting in April. He opened the floor for questions. Fred Dunnington moved approval of the proposed amendments to this year's budget (2009/2010), Harvey Smith seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Then Harvey Smith moved approval of the 2011/2012 Workplan and budget. Ellen Kurrelmeyer seconded the motion, which also passed unanimously.
2. **Nominating Committee:** Thea Gaudette noted that she, Fred Dunnington and Bill Sayre served as the Nominating Committee. She then presented the recommendations of the committee as follows:

- i. Chair: Harvey Smith
- ii. Vice Chair: Jeremy Grip
- iii. Secretary: Bill Sayre
- iv. Treasurer: Fred Dunnington
- v. At Large members: Steve Revell
Andrew Manning
Ellen Kurrelmeyer

Thea opened the floor to further nominations from the floor. No new nominations came forward. Ellen Kurrelmeyer moved approval of the Slate of the Executive Board as presented.

Addison	Bridport	Bristol	Cornwall	Ferrisburgh	Goshen	Leicester
Lincoln	Middlebury	Monkton	New Haven	Orwell	Panton	Ripton
Salisbury	Shoreham	Starksboro	Vergennes	Waltham	Weybridge	Whiting



Michael Hermann seconded the motion. Thea asked for a voice vote. The Slate of the Executive Board passed unanimously.

3. **Bertha Hanson Award.** Thea turned over the floor to Steve Revell to present the Bertha Hanson award to a delegate for their dedicated service. Steve presented the Bertha Hanson Award for Community Service to Jeremy Grip. Steve noted that Jeremy had worked above and beyond this year serving on the Executive Board, and chairing both the energy and brownfield committees. He brings a valuable perspective to regional planning and is both humble and hardworking.

Jeremy gave a brief acceptance speech and thanked all for the award.

4. **Other:** Bill Sayre gave Thea a gift from the Commission thanking her for her three year service as Chair of the Executive Board and for the vision and leadership she exhibited while chair.

Adam made a brief statement thanking the commissioners for their work during the course of the year and highlighting the Commission's many accomplishments.

Thea also thanked the Commissioners and the staff for their work over the course of the year and looked forward to a productive 2011.

- II. **Adjourn:** There being no further business, Ellen Kurrelmeyer moved to adjourn the meeting; Jeremy Grip seconded the motion. Thea adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Lougee
Executive Director