

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Addison County Regional Planning Commission**  
**Wednesday, May 11, 2016**

*ACRPC held its annual meeting at Mary's at Baldwin Creek in Bristol with the Chair, Thea Gaudette of Monkton, presiding.*

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**ROLL CALL:**

*Addison:*

*Bridport:* Edward Payne  
Andrew Manning

*Bristol:* Peter Grant  
Chico Martin

*Cornwall:* Jim Duclos

*Ferrisburgh:* Tim Davis  
Arabella Holzafel

*Goshen:*

*Leicester:* Diane Benware

*Lincoln:* Steve Revell

*Middlebury:* Karl Neuse  
Ted Davis  
David Hamilton  
Ross Conrad

*Monkton:* Thea Gaudette  
Wendy Sue Harper  
Steve Pilcher  
Charlie Huizenga

*New Haven:* Harvey Smith  
Susan Smiley

*Orwell:*

*Panton:*

*Ripton:* Jeremy Grip

*Salisbury:* Tom Scanlon  
Barrie Bailey

*Shoreham:* Nick Causton

*Starksboro:* Richard Warren

*Vergennes:*

*Waltham:*

*Weybridge:*

*Whiting:* Ellen Kurrelmeyer

**CITIZEN INTEREST REPRESENTATIVES:**

*Addison County Farm Bureau:*  
*Addison County Economic Development Corp:*  
*Otter Creek Audubon Society:*  
*Otter Creek Natural Resources:*  
*Addison County Chamber of Commerce:*

**ACRPC EXECUTIVE BOARD**

*Chair:* Thea Gaudette  
*Vice-Chair:* Jeremy Grip  
*Secretary:* Ted Davis  
*Treasurer:* David Hamilton  
*At Large:* Chico Martin  
Diane Benware  
Nick Causton

**STAFF**

*Executive Director:* Adam Lougee  
*Assistant Director/GIS Manager:* Kevin Behm  
*EM/Senior Planner:* Tim Bouton  
*Transportation Planner:* Josh Donabedian  
*Land use Planner:* Claire Tebbs  
*Office Manager/Bookkeeper:* Pauline Cousino

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**6:00 PROGRAM:** Adam introduced ACRPC's guest and speaker for the evening. Glenn Andres, Middlebury College Professor Emeritus of History of Art and Architecture. Glenn taught primarily in the areas of architectural and urban history, at Middlebury from 1970 through spring semester 2015. His research spans from the Italian Renaissance through 19th century America to post modernism. He holds a bachelor's degree in architecture from Cornell University and a Ph.D. in architectural history from Princeton University. His doctoral dissertation on the Villa Medici in Rome was pursued while a fellow of the American Academy in Rome.

He has published on Renaissance villas, the architecture of Florence, New England meeting houses, Vermont regional architecture, American modernism, and the work of Hardy Holzman Pfeiffer. His most recent work includes *The Buildings of Vermont* (with Curtis B. Johnson, Charlottesville, University of Virginia Press, 2014). He has served on the Middlebury Design Advisory Committee, the Vermont Advisory Committee for Historic Preservation, and as a trustee of the Sheldon Museum.

Glenn spoke to the group and showed slides of architecture in Addison County and of the different commercial, agricultural and political interests that drove the shape and size of the Region's towns, villages and buildings.

**BUSINESS MEETING:** Thea Gaudette, the Chair, called the Annual Meeting to order at 8:19PM to address the Commission's agenda.

## I. Election of Officers:

1. Report of the Nominating Committee concerning Executive Board Nominations. The slate of officers proposed by the Nominating Committee was read as follows:

**Jeremy Grip, Chair**  
**Diane Benware, Vice Chair**  
**Ted Davis, Secretary**  
**David Hamilton, Treasurer**  
**At Large:**  
**Nick Causton**  
**Tim Davis**

Thea also noted that one of the current members of the Executive Board and nominee, Chico Martin of Bristol had recently tendered his resignation for next year. Thea asked for nominations from the floor to replace Chico on the Slate or for any other positions on the Board. **Tom Scanlon nominated Steve Revell. Harvey Smith seconded the nomination, which Steve graciously accepted.**

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



Thea thanked the Nominating Committee for its selections, thanked Chico for his prior service, thanked Steve for volunteering **and added Steve Revell to the slate of officers recommended.** Hearing no other nominations from the floor, **Thea moved to close the floor to nominations and asked for a vote on the slate of officers and directors as presented. Tom Scanlon seconded the motion. By voice vote, the Commission unanimously elected the slate of the Executive Board as noted above.**

II. The Bertha Hanson Award. Jeremy Grip presented the Bertha Hanson Award for Community service to this year's winner, Thea Gaudette of Monkton, the first ever two-time winner of the award (first time was in 2007). Jeremy shared some thoughts about Thea and her work with the RPC covering 2 and a half decades. Ultimately, Thea's value and importance to the Commission cannot be overstated; she will be missed tremendously and leaves very big shoes to fill. Jeremy then provided a brief history of Thea's 24 years of service as Monkton's representative to ACRPC:

- First served on the Executive Board in 1995 as an at-large member
- Served as Chair in 1997, 1998, and 1999
- Served as Vice Chair 2002-2004 and Secretary in 2005
- The Commission elected her to the Executive Board again in 2007. From 2007-2011 she served as Secretary, Treasurer and Chair again in 2010 and 2011.
- The Commission elected her to the E-Board one more time from 2013-2016, where she served as Vice Chair and Chair from 2015 and 2016
- In addition to representing Monkton and serving on the Executive Board, Thea also took an active role in ACRPC's Committees. She has served as Monkton's Representative to the Transportation Committee since at least 2006, and has chaired that committee
- She has chaired the Local Government Committee since at least 1999, travelling to each of the region's Towns to review their plans, whenever required
- She has served on the Act 250 Committee, the Plan Rewrite Committee, the Utilities and Facilities Committee and chaired the Bylaws Committee

III. Remarks of the Executive Director. Adam Lougee, ACRPC's Executive Director, also shared some thoughts on Thea's time with the RPC and all of her devotion to Addison County and hard work through the years.

IV. Adjourn: There being no further business; **Peter Grant moved adjournment. David Hamilton seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The Commission adjourned its meeting at 8:45 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Lougee  
Executive Director