

**TRORC Board Meeting – Zoom Meeting
May 25, 2022 – Board Meeting Minutes**

Attendance:

Name	Town	2/24/21	4/28/21	5/26/21	6/23/21	9/22/21	12/15/21	2/23/22	4/27/22	5/25/22
Jerry Fredrickson	Barnard	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Steve Cota	Barnard (Alt)									
Paul Vallee	Bethel	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
Carl Russell	Bethel (Alt)									
Nancy Jones	Bradford	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Marcey Carver	Bradford (Alt)		X		X			X	X	
Marlys Eddy	Braintree							X	X	
Chris Southworth	Bridgewater									
Gwynn Zakov	Brookfield		X	X	X	X		X		
Jon Binhammer	Brookfield (Alt.)	X								
Carl Pepperman	Chelsea	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tim O'Dell	Corinth	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Peter Berger	Fairlee	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mark Belisle	Granville				X		X		X	
Monica Collins	Hancock	X		X	X	X			X	
Lori Hirshfield	Hartford		X		X	X			X	
Bruce Riddle	Hartford (Alt)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Charles Jeffries	Hartland		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
David Ormiston	Hartland		X	X		X	X			
Frank Tegethoff	Newbury	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Larry Scott	Newbury (Alt.)									
Jeff Lubell	Norwich		X	X	X	X		X		X
Jaci Allen	Norwich (Alt.)								X	
Sarah Gallagher	Pittsfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Anne Brown	Plymouth							X	X	
Jim Allen	Plymouth (Alt.)									
Bill Emmons	Pomfret	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Phil Dechert	Pomfret (Alt)		X	X	X		X	X		X
Ramsey Papp	Randolph	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary Dir	Randolph (Alt)	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Anni Mackay	Rochester	X	X	X			X	X		
Doon Hinderyckx	Rochester (Alt)	X	X	X			X	X		
David Brandau	Royalton	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Bushrod Powers	Royalton (Alt)	X	X	X	X		X	X		X

Ira Clark	Sharon	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Sue Sellew	Sharon (Alt.)									X
Bill Edgerton	Stockbridge									
John Echeverria	Strafford		X	X	X		X	X	X	
Jesse Anderson	Thetford	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Angie McCanna	Thetford									X
Jim Masland	Thetford (Alt)			X						
Jim Clark	Topsham								X	
Michael Sacca	Tunbridge		X	X				X		
Kevin Rose	Tunbridge (Alt)			X				X	X	
Bill Baylis	Vershire									
Nancy Malmquist	W. Fairlee	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Don Bourdon	Woodstock	X		X		X	X			X
Brad Prescott	Woodstock (Alt)					X				
Meghan Butts	At-Large	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Jennifer Colby	At-Large						X		X	
Ken Alton	At-Large		X	X		X	X		X	X
Dan Rudell	At-Large						X		X	X
Andrew Winter	At-Large	X	X	X		X		X	X	
Meg Emmons	At-Large	X	X			X	X			X

Staff: Peter Gregory, Kevin Geiger, Lori Kay, Pete Fellows, Rita Seto

1. Call to Order, Approval of the Agenda, Roll Call, and Public Comments:

The meeting opened at 6:32 p.m. A quorum after roll call was declared. No changes to the agenda were made. There were no comments from the public.

2. Approval of TRORC Board Minutes from April 27, 2022

On a motion made by Commissioner Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Alton, the April meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Acceptance of the Unaudited April 2022 TRORC Financial Reports

A motion was made by Commissioner Powers, and seconded by Commissioner Berger, to approve the unaudited April 2022 Financial Reports.

Gregory noted that the April income and expenses were as expected. TRORC received its large quarterly payment from ACCD in April. The AR Aging report is in good shape. A large amount of quarterly billing will occur in July.

Chair Fredrickson called the vote. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. **Basin 10 Plan Presentation, Marie Caduto, ANR Basin Planner**

Marie Caduto, a Watershed Planner with Vermont's Agency of Natural Resources (ANR), gave a presentation on the work the State and its partners are doing on updating the State's Tactical Basin Plan for the Ottauquechee and Black Rivers and adjacent Connecticut Rivers and tributaries.

A complete copy of the presentation can be found here:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/e99dd0f4ec604467a617ae29ff1af445>

Caduto shared the link to an online Basin 10 Survey and encouraged all Commissioners to share their insights on Basin 10 via the online survey. The survey can be found here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=O5O0IK26PEOcAnDtzHVZxpj7u-widAxEi9jNPiZdzvpUOUJQSjJNR1BMWDNXT1dIM-zJaTURKVUICTC4u&wdLOR=c8BC4E8B0-7A61-40E0-ACB7-E42F3CF6CA24>

5. **TRORC's Transportation Project Priorities for FY23**

Rita Seto, Senior Planner with TRORC, summarized the projects that the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Region's Towns have prioritized for the Vermont Agency of Transportation's (VTrans) FY23 capital planning projects. Seto shared photos and the scoring of the sites that have been prioritized for FY23. A copy of Seto's presentation is available on the TRORC website.

<https://www.trorc.org/programs/transportation/project-prioritization/>

A motion to accept the projects as described by Seto was made by Commissioner Bourdon and was seconded by Commissioner William Emmons. Chair Fredrickson called the vote. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. **Staff/Commissioner Updates**

Project updates

The East Central Vermont (ECV) Planning grant application will be submitted in late June. Funding is sought for the next three-year period.

TRORC's short-term zoning assignments with Norwich, Randolph and Woodstock are going well. All three will be wrapping up shortly.

TRORC will be assisting Barnard and Strafford with their Local Hazard Mitigation Plans.

Staff will be working with Barnard and Stockbridge to review and update their Town Plans.

TRORC did not receive any of the US EPA Brownfields funds in the most current round of grants. There will be another opportunity for TRORC to apply for these Federal funds this fall.

Legislative updates

Bill H.518 has passed and will be signed shortly. A portion of the funds from this bill will allow RPCs to assist Towns with municipal buildings fuel-switching efforts.

The Legislature has increased the base funds for the State's RPCs next year by \$1.6 million. This funding flows through the Agency of Commerce and Community Development.

Funding for the State's Municipal Planning Grants has increased to \$872,000. \$650,000 of those funds are designated for Zoning Bylaw Modernization efforts.

Changes to Act 250 were approved during the most recent Legislative Session but Governor Scott is like to veto them.

The next Board meeting will be the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2022. An invitation to the Annual Meeting will be distributed on June 1, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Meeting Minutes prepared by:
Lori Kay, Finance Manager, May 26, 2022