

LAMOILLE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES May 24, 2023

Hybrid Meeting – 12:00 PM

Approved: August 23, 2023

Community/ Mode	Representative		Community/ Mode	Representative	
Belvidere	Ken Adams Vacant (alt)	X	Cambridge	Eric Boozan Jonathan DeLaBruere (alt)	X X
Eden	Ricky Morin		Elmore	Bob Burley Michel LaCasse (alt)	
Hyde Park	Richard Pearson Ron Rodjenski (alt)	X	Johnson	Brian Story Vacant (alt)	
Morristown	Hannah Farda Vacant (alt)		Stowe	Chris Jolly (Video) Harry Shepard (alt)	X
Waterville	Vacant Vacant (alt)		Wolcott	Linda Martin (Video) Dillan Cafferkey (alt)	X

Additional Guests & LCPC Staff Present:

LCPC: Rob Moore, Georgeana Little, Salvador Morales

Guests: Mathew Arancio (Video), Gigi Beach (Video), Tammy Patnoe (Phone)

Linda Martin called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm.

Welcome & Introductions, Changes to Agenda, Public Comments

Everyone introduced themselves. There were no changes to the agenda and no public comment.

Acceptance of TAC Minutes July 27, 2022, and meeting notes August 24, 2022, September 28, 2022, December 7, 2022, and March 22, 2023

Chris Jolly motioned to accept all minutes and notes, Richard Pearson seconded. Jonathan DeLaBruere said that notes should not be included. The motion was amended to include only the minutes from July 27, 2022. Motion carried as amended.

Call for Nominations and Possible Vote for TAC Chair

The committee is seeking nominations for this position. One suggestion was to have each town take the Chair for one year on a revolving schedule. A Nominating Committee of Chris Jolly and Jonathan DeLaBruere was appointed to present candidates for a vote at the next meeting.

Status Update and News

The Lamoille Valley Rail Trail (LVRT) committee is becoming more formalized. In future it will be an *ad hoc* committee of the Lamoille County Planning Commission (LCPC) Board. The committee will be looking into grants for updating the trailheads, etc.

The Grant in Aid program has been taken over by VTrans. Next summer’s amount will be slightly lower than this year’s.

There will be a public hearing on the Regional Plan in July.

Roundtable Discussion

- Route 109 in Belvidere will be closed for one weekend this summer to replace a culvert. The

exact date is not yet available.

- Belvidere is wrapping up the reclassification of some town roads, expert guest needed for future meeting topic: annual mileage certificates, VTrans mapping & District involved, public process.
- New rules and/or process changes coming soon, possibly, for E911 signage, expert guest needed for future meeting topic.
- VTrans and VLCT sent an announcement about informing emergency vehicles about bridge weight limits, which might be a possible topic for a TAC meeting.
<https://www.vlct.org/news/vtrans-post-bridge-weight-limits-inform-emergency-vehicle-drivers>
- Linda Martin noted trucks using North Wolcott Road as a cut through, causing damage to the road, it is a Federal Aid town road. They have posted truck size limits, which have been ignored and is difficult to get police or DMV to enforce. They want to draft a No Truck Traffic ordinance, expert guest needed for future meeting topic.
- Rich Pearson noted that VTrans has a standard for when possible, 11 ft travel lanes with wider shoulders, bike/ped safety infrastructure, village/hamlet standards/policies for state roads being discussed and hopefully developed by VTrans, expert guest needed for future meeting topic.
- VTrans LVRT presentation/discussion for REMC, repeat for TAC and ask for help getting the right people looped in, expert guest needed for future meeting topic.

Next Meeting: July 26, 2023

Adjourn

Linda Martin motioned to adjourn. Chris Jolly seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.