

## **LVRT Council notes 7/16**

**Present:** Doug Molde, Laird McDowell, Brent Sheets, Valerie Valcour, Pat Ripley, Bill Mason, Tori Hellwig, Alberto Della Torre

### **Local Updates:**

- Morristown: Brent Raymond will be the lead representative, Anna Green will be the alternate
- Hyde Park: currently going through discussions to make Valerie Valcour the Hyde Park Representative
- Cambridge: water from last week's flood covered the Greenway on Thursday. Repairs will go ahead next week.

### **VTrans Updates:**

- No changes in status over the last few days. LVRT open from St. J to West Danville, Wolcott to Swanton. Trail conditions vary.
- Concern from the committee about the lack of accessible bathroom facilities along the trail.

### **Ambassador Program:**

- 3 known active ambassadors have relayed positive experiences.
- Bike Repair Event postponed to be planned more thoroughly.

### **Trail Friendly Business Program:**

- The website is ready for launch, just waiting for final edits on to language. LEDC will do a mass email once the program info is revised.
- Need to conduct outreach and collect lists of business to reach out to. Towns have been reaching out on Front Porch Forum and through local organizations.
- Several businesses in Johnson have already expressed interest.
- Web map in the final stage of development.

### **Regional Projects:**

LVRT council can apply for a joint application for the LVRT Community Facilities Grant, possibly for regional maps at each town's trailhead

- Map extent: Cambridge Junction to Wolcott trailheads. Discussed including neighboring towns (i.e., Hardwick) but could be a challenge to coordinate.
- Cambridge uses QR codes. Suggested to post on kiosks alongside new maps to link to other websites and trails.
- Idea raised for 1 map for larger scale logistics (parking/bathrooms, etc.) and another for smaller scale (activities in town)
- Also interest in a physical, in addition to an informational project.
- General agreement on pursuing grant for regional map.
- Tori will obtain cost estimates

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30. Next meeting 8/20