RUTLAND REGION EXECUTIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023, 5:00 PM

MEETING DETAILS

Virtual Option: Teams Meeting, Call in: 1-802-440-1368, Meeting ID: 362 171 909#

In-Person Option: The Opera House, 67 Merchants Row, Rutland, VT 05701

MEETING MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Berner at 5:03 PM.

2) APPROVAL OF APRIL 10TH AGENDA

Motion by Gibbs to approve the April 10th agenda. Second by Sommerlad. Approved by voice vote.

3) APPROVAL OF MARCH 13TH MINUTES

Motion by Gibbs to approve the March 13th minutes. Second by Sommerlad. Approved by voice vote.

3) OPEN TO PUBLIC

None present.

4) TREASURERS REPORT

Director Neary provided the treasurers report for February 2023. Informational purposes only.

5) DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Neary provided several updates:

- A. Neary will be on vacation next week in the southwest desert.
- B. RRPC will commission a Regional Housing Needs Assessment to inform the Regional Plan update and provide information for regional housing groups. RFP will be sent out this week.
- C. RPCs did not get full statutory funding through legislative committee but did get support for an additional \$1.5M in base funding for FY24. Will still need to be signed by Governor.
- D. Budget Adjustment Act (BAA) included \$1M for Brownfields in FY23 with an additional \$1M in FY24. The RRPC is out of Brownfields funding so this will be critical funds to support redevelopment. RRPC is still waiting to hear about application for EPA Brownfields Funding.
- E. Neary spent a day at the Statehouse Cardroom with Vermont Association of Planning and Development Agencies (VADPA) for outreach to legislators. Was able to connect with all but two Rutland County legislators.
- F. Neary and Skaza will begin preparing the FY24 budget in April/May for review by Executive Committee. The two will also be bringing updates to employee benefits and RRPC policies.

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G. Neary reminded Executive Committee that a nomination committee will need to be created no later than May 15th. Selections will be made at annual June meeting.

6) BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA

The Executive Committee discussed the proposed agenda for the April Board of Commissioners meeting. There are no actions items, presentations, or agenda items for Regional or Community committees. The Committee agreed not to hold an April meeting.

The Committee also reviewed a request from the Pittsford Planning Commission to be added to the upcoming agenda and provide a letter of support regarding the ACT250 appeal of Bridge #008/VT-3 intersection project by VTrans. The Committee did not feel that it was appropriate or within the purview of the Board of Commissioners to support the request. Motion by Sommerlad to deny the letter of support and agenda item request by the Pittsford Planning Commission. Second by Courcelle. Approved by voice vote.

7) MEMBER UPDATES

- A. Hubbardton: Back to being quiet again.
- B. Mendon: Happy to be back on the Committee. Fifth time serving.
- C. Sudbury: Nothing new.
- D. Shrewsbury: ARPA reports are coming due and helping the Town. Also helping with transportation infrastructure grants and working with the RRPC.
- E. Wallingford: VTrans held public concerns meetings on the East Wallingford Bridge. Some issues regarding VTrans.
- F. Killington: not present.

9) ADJOURN

Motion by Gibbs. Second by Courcelle. Adjourned at 5:58 PM.

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