

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee

MEETING Minutes

April 11th, 2023

4:00-5:30 PM

Hybrid Meeting via ZOOM

Kilton Public Library

80 Main St, West Lebanon, NH 03784

Members Present: Richard “Dick” Jones (Lyme, Vice Chair), John Haffner (Vital Communities), George Sykes (Lebanon, Chair), Bill Chaisson (Wilmot), Adams Carroll (Advance Transit), Scott Hazelton (Sunapee, Remote), Rob Taylor (Enfield), Liz Emerson (Charlestown), Christina Hall (Hanover, Remote), Candy Reed (SCC, Remote)

Partners and Guests Present: Lucy St. John (NHDOT, Remote), Karl Kemnitzer (UVTMA, Sierra Club), Taralyn Bielaski (UVTMA, Dartmouth Health, GSPHN), Chris Turgeon (NHDOT District), Trish Palao (Advance Transit), Ted Wadleigh (Claremont, Remote)

UVLSRPC Staff Present: Andrea Cass, Meghan Butts

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

- a. Chair George Sykes called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

II. Action on Minutes from February 21st, 2023

- a. Dick Jones motioned to approve the minutes; Adams Carroll seconded. Liz Emerson abstained. The minutes from February 21st were approved 9-0-1.

III. FY 2025-2034 Ten-Year Plan Updates

- a. Cass explained how the TYP projects in our region need a final ranking submission to NHDOT. As a reminder, the preliminary scores were the following: Lebanon’s Hanover Street scored 72.5/100, Claremont’s Main Street scored 71.2/100, and Newport’s Park and Ride scored 43.8/100. Cass explained that Newport’s Park and Ride received a CMAQ funding award. The Committee discussed these scores and the projects. TAC members discussed the criteria and criteria weighting discussing similarities and differences between the Lebanon and Claremont projects.
- b. Liz Emerson motioned to recommend that the UVLSRPC Full Commission submit the preliminary rankings as final rankings for inclusion in the FY25-34 Ten-Year Plan; Dick Jones seconded. The motion was approved 9-1-0.

IV. Regional Corridor Transportation Plan



Staff gave a brief update that they are continuing to work with communities through project development and technical assistance.

V. Long Range Transportation Plan

Cass deferred the update to the special meeting exercise.

VI. Updates from Members

VII. Other Business

- a. Cass mentioned how May is [National Bike Month](#), and this year we'd like to promote *New Hampshire* Bike Month all across the state. To help get you started, here are some tools:
- b.  [Generic NH Bike Month Poster FINAL.png](#)
- c.  [Generic NH Bike Month Poster PRINT.pdf](#)
- d. Statewide event calendar- Having all of May's bike events listed in one place will help spread the word and inspire others. Please send the details of your bicycle related events to info@bwanh.org to be included on the [Bike-Walk Alliance of NH's event calendar](#).
- e. CommuteSmart Challenge- this is a great opportunity to also promote the [CommuteSmart NH annual Spring challenge](#). Participants earn points for every non-single-occupancy-vehicle-trip they take (bike, walk, transit, carpool, telecommute, compressed work week) and can redeem those points for discounts at various businesses across the state. It's also a useful tool for ridematching- whether you're seeking people to carpool with or a bike buddy to commute with. There is also a fun workplace challenge. Please sign up today, if you haven't already!
- f. [Safe Streets for All Grant Program](#)
- g. [Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program](#)
 - i. State is putting forth an application
 - ii. Regional application as well

VIII. Adjourn

- a. Dick Jones motioned to adjourn. Bill Chaisson seconded. All in favor. 10-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM.