

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission
Transportation Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2024

4:00-5:30 PM
Hybrid Meeting via ZOOM
Kilton Public Library
80 Main St, West Lebanon, NH 03784

Members Present: Dick Jones (Lyme, Vice Chair); Liz Emerson (Charlestown); Christina Hall (Hanover); Bill Chaisson (Wilmot); Adams Carroll (Advance Transit); John Haffner (Vital Communities); Donald Nicholas (Grantham, Remote), Dan Nash (UVLSRPC Commissioner)

Partners Present: Shannon Aiton (NHDOT, Remote), Lucy St. John (NHDOT, Remote), Ross Wood (NHDOT District II, Remote), Vanessa Partington (NHDES, Remote)

UVLSRPC Staff Present: Meghan Butts (Remote); Majestic Terhune

I. Call to Order

Vice Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves.

II. Action on Minutes from October 10, 2023

Emerson motioned to approve the minutes. Carroll seconded. All voted in favor 8-0-0.

III. Long-Range Transportation Updates

Terhune provided an update on the Long-Range Transportation Plan, including an overview of the plan, common comments from the public on the original draft, and changes to come in the updated version. Carroll asked after the updated timeline and Terhune stated that the TAC should expect to vote on it in the summer, after seeing another draft version of the plan in the coming months.

IV. FY 2025-2034 Ten-Year Plan Updates

Terhune provided updates on the Ten-Year Plan. St. John advertised the public hearing on the plan at the NH House legislative meeting on 2/14. Carroll spoke further on some of the updates to the Plan since the fall public hearings across the state.

V. Public Involvement Plan (PIP) Updates

Terhune provided update on PIP status. Butts and Aiton gave an overview of the Title VI

requirements. The Committee discussed the potential of moving meeting locations to make it easier for other members to attend. Emerson and Chaisson offered initial comments on the PIP.

VI. Updates from Members

- a) Emerson stated that Charlestown is waiting for FEMA to reimburse for funding. The anticipated Cheshire Bridge project has not spurred much public comment yet. A second meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, [at the Community Room below the Silsby Library, 26 Railroad Street, Charlestown, NH,] as part of the regularly scheduled Selectboard's meeting starting at 6:30 pm.
- b) Chaisson provided an update on a Wilmot project regarding Class VI roads with anticipation of development requests. Chaisson and Jones discussed approaches to adjusting regulations.

VII. Other Business

- a) Community Transportation Transitions – Haffner provided an update and overview of the Community Transportation Transitions project, which soft started in October and is anticipated to begin its public outreach phase in March.
- b) Stormwater Initiatives – Terhune provided update on UVLSRPC's stormwater initiatives following recent receipt of a grant from the Long Island Sound Futures Fund. Terhune to share further information.
- c) Terhune shared current funding opportunities and resources that members may be interested in.

VIII. Adjourn

Emerson motioned to adjourn. Nash seconded. All voted in favor 8-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Majestic Terhune.