

1 CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
2 CLEAN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE – DRAFT MINUTES
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4 DATE: Tuesday, January 9, 2018
5 TIME: 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
6 PLACE: CCRPC Offices, 110 West Canal Street, Suite 202, Winooski, VT
7 DOCUMENTS: Minutes, documents, and presentations discussed accessible at:
8 <http://www.ccrpcvt.org/meetings/clean-water-advisory-committee/>

Committee Members in Attendance		
Bolton:	Hinesburg: Merrily Lovell (arr. 11:08 a.m.)	St. George:
Buels Gore:	Huntington: Darlene Palola	Underhill: Brian Bigelow
Burlington: Jenna Olson	Jericho:	Westford:
Charlotte:	Milton: Lindsey Beaudoin	Williston: James Sherrard
Colchester: Warner Rackley	Richmond: Geoff Urbanik	Winooski: Tim Grover
Essex: Annie Costandi, Co-Chair	Shelburne: Chris Robinson	VAOT: Jennifer Callahan
Essex Junction: Chelsea Mandigo	South Burlington: Tom DiPietro	VANR: Christy Witters
Burlington Airport:	University of VT: Lani Ravin (arr. 11:10 a.m.)	CCRPC Board: Don Meals, Co-Chair
Other Attendees: VTDEC: Jim Pease		
CCRPC Staff: Dan Albrecht, Charles Baker		

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10 1. **Welcome:** Chelsea Mandigo called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

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12 2. **Changes to the Agenda** – none

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14 3. **Review and action on draft minutes of December 6, 2017**

15 After a brief recap by Dan Albrecht, *Don Meals made a motion, seconded by James Sherrard to*
16 *approve the December 5, 2017 minutes with corrections as follows: Jennifer Callahan was not at the meeting.*
17 *MOTION PASSED.*

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19 4. **Finalize CCRPC legislative talking points on Act 73/Clean Water funding prior to adoption**
20 **by CCRPC Board**

21 Charlie Baker walked the Committee through the latest draft which he had circulated via email earlier
22 this morning. Charlie and the committee worked through and made various edits to the points, including but
23 not limited to the following sections: by strengthening the language describing percentage of municipal
24 budgets allocated to Operations & Maintenance; #4- Project Development; #9- Management and #12-
25 Statewide collection and also made various grammatical edits to #11. Members then began to discuss how the
26 various water authority bills might impact the recommendations contained in the talking points as well as the
27 timetable for TMDL implementation and permit issuances.

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29 5. **Review draft Clean Water Authority bill**

30 Albrecht walked through notable sections of the bill which was formally filed as S-260. Sections of the bill
31 are outlined in the memo posted on the Committee's page. He highlighted that the purpose of the financing
32 plan, to be developed by the proposed Vermont Clean Water Authority is to obtain the funds necessary to
33 achieve compliance with TMDLs, Act 64, and CSO Overflow Rules. The bill sets an initial \$40 parcel fee
34 which would eventually vary for each parcel after further analysis of size, location, impervious surface, etc.
35 Fees collected would go into the Vermont Clean Water Fund which the Authority would then use to provide
36 grants or awards based upon a prioritization scheme projects. Members noted the House companion bill is
37 H.564.

38 Urbanik expressed concerns on how funds would eventually be disbursed noting that many rural towns may
39 not have projects ready to go and that therefore most of the funds collected would go towards urban areas.
40 Baker acknowledged that areas such as the Northeast Kingdom would have relatively few projects especially
41 since there is no formal Connecticut River TMDL.

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10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Albrecht

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