

**Minutes of the Meeting of the CVSWMD Board and Executive Board of Supervisors
Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce – 33 Stewart Rd. Berlin**

February 20, 2018

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A meeting of the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors – Towns represented and Board of Supervisors/Alternates present were:

Representative	Town	4/17	5/17	6/17	9/17	10/17	11/17	12/17	2/18	3/18
Micheli, S.	Barre City	X		X			X	X		
Taft, R. (alt)	Barre City									
Thumm, F.	Barre Town	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Mitchell, J. (alt)	Barre Town			X						
Levin, M.	Berlin	X	X	X	X	X	X			X
Postpischil, G.	Bradford	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Powell, B.	Calais	X			X	X	X			X
Brabant, J. (alt)	Calais									
Vacant	Chelsea									
Vacant	Duxbury		X	X						
Northrup, C.	E. Montpelier	X	X	X	X			X		
Vacant	Fairlee									
Cornish, S.	Hardwick	X	X							
Kellogg, N. (alt)	Hardwick									X
Krauth, A.	Middlesex	X		X		X	X			X
Cheney, E.	Montpelier	X		X	X	X	X	X		
Bate, D. (alt)	Montpelier	X								
Cattaneo, L.	Orange		X	X	X	X		X	X	
Zeisel, L.	Plainfield	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Towbin, B. (alt)	Plainfield				X					
Vacant	Tunbridge									
Vacant	Walden	X								
Carbee, P	Washington	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vacant	Williamstown									
Nold-Laurendeau, J.	Woodbury		X	X		X				

Others in attendance:

Bruce Westcott, Cathleen Gent, Barb Baird – District Staff

Vice Chair Lee Cattaneo convened the meeting at 6:31 (1)

Without a quorum of the full board, Lee Cattaneo convened the Executive Board with other members, Peter Carbee, Matt Levin and Bill Powell (participating by phone).

Agenda revisions (2)

None

Public Comment Period and Announcements (3)

None

Consent Agenda (4)

- a. Adopt the minutes of the Board of Supervisors – December 6, 2017 and January 18, 2018
- b. Accept the minutes of the Executive Board and Committee meetings
 - Executive Board meeting of December 19, 2017
 - Grants Committee meeting of December 18, 2017
 - Program Oversight Committee meeting of December 6, 2017
 - Financial Oversight Committee meetings of December 19, 2017 and January 22, 2018

Peter Carbee moved to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Committee Reports (5)

None

Legislative Update (6)

Bruce Westcott gave an update on the following 3 bills:

1. S. 285 – Amendment to Act 148
2. H. 560 – Household Hazardous Waste take back
3. H. 837- farms to accept food waste without certification as a solid waste facility and single town Solid Waste Management entities to hold only 1 HHW collection a year.

Nothing set in stone and there are changes to come.

Review of Financials: FY 17 –unaudited (7)

Bruce Westcott went over the financials and answered questions. There was discussion about funds and moving forward with a capital plan.

Municipal Services Program – Grant Program (8)

Cathleen Gent went over the grant guidelines and changes that the Program Oversight Committee recommended to the Board. Discussion included:

- Internal staff discussion to evaluate if staff has time to do more
- It was agreed that the term “two rounds” would be used instead of “first come, first served.”
- Eligibility of grant money use for community gardens? Not all agree. Composting at community gardens – yes. Staff will wordsmith to include the term “utilization of food waste”
- Clarify that multiple towns may apply together for a grant and towns may apply for multiple grants

Matt Levin moved to accept the Municipal Services Program grant guidelines with wordsmith changes as discussed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

At 7:30, Bill Powell left the meeting – a quorum of the Executive Board continued.

Board Retreat Recap and Strategic Planning discussion (9)

It was agreed to hold off on this agenda item until there were more board members present. Discussion of the need of a strategic plan – working session outside of board meetings? Online polling? The Executive Board will discuss.

Town Meeting materials for board members (10)

Staff will send out recycling and ARCC brochures to board members to put out at their town meetings.

Roundtable and Announcements (11)

Peter Carbee – worked the Repair Café and was blown away by the response and the great work of the staff

Barb Baird – sent out appointment/reappointment information to Selectboards/Councils

Gerhard Postpischil – shared an article about pedestrian death by trains

Bruce Westcott – shared information from the Chittenden MRF about an increase in tonnage rates for recycling

Motion to adjourn – 8:00 p.m.

Prepared by:

Barb Baird – District Clerk