



# RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

## RRPC REGIONAL COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025, 6:00 PM

### MEETING DETAILS

Virtual: Teams Meeting, ID: 224 634 587 902, Pass: dBEdSy | Call: 1-802-440-1368, ID: 641 278 173#

In-Person: 16 Evelyn Street, Second Floor, Rutland, VT 05701

### MEETING ATTENDANCE

Members: Leona Minard, Sarah Pelkey, Jack Schneider, Laura Black, Judy Gilmore, and Will Austin.

Other: Devon Neary (RRPC), Logan Solomon (RRPC), Jim Haff (Killington), and Dan Heil (VHB)

### MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

The Committee was called to order at 6:04 PM by Chair Minard. Introductions were made.

2. APPROVAL OF MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup> AGENDA

Motion to approve the March 18<sup>th</sup> agenda by Black with a change to the presented agenda to Put Act 250 first and Section 248a second. Second by Pelkey. Approved by voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> MINUTES

Motion to approve the January 21<sup>st</sup> minutes by Pelkey. Second by Black. Approved by voice vote.

4. OPEN TO PUBLIC

None present.

5. ACT 250

The committee reviewed 1R0981(Remanded)-1, which is an application to amend the existing LUP 1R0980 to reflect minor design alterations associated with the parking lots and stormwater pond, thereby reducing impacts on wetlands and their associated buffers per the direction from the DEC Wetlands Division. The committee was joined by the VHB consultant on the project, Dan Heil, who provided an overview of the project details. Pelkey asked about the previous LUP 1R0980, the current incomplete amendment letter, the construction timeline, and wetland permits. Heil stated that the incomplete items have been addressed; the timeline would likely be this summer to accommodate the Town of Killington's road reconstruction project, and the wetland permit had been issued. Jim Haff, selectboard chair from Killington, spoke about the project history and how the RRPC had supported the original LUP from 2013. Neary confirmed. Pelkey made a motion to recommend to the full board that a letter be issued stating that the project conforms with the regional plan and presents no significant regional impacts. Schneider seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote. Haff requested that the minutes reflect his and the Town's thanks for supporting this critical project.



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### 6. SECTION 248a

The committee reviewed 25-0316-AN, a 60-day advance submission from Industrial Tower and Wireless, LLC, requesting a certificate of public good to authorize the installation of wireless telecommunications equipment at 440 Route 140. The committee assessed the materials and several issues emerged regarding potential impacts on scenic resources and the absence of a formal balloon test. Furthermore, this facility is very close to the 100-foot buffer for the Tinmouth Channel, recognized as the Region's Class 1 wetland and a significant natural resource. Additionally, Gilmore noted that the Town had evaluated the project, determining that it did not comply with the Town Plan or land use districts. A motion by Black recommended that the full board issue a letter conveying the expressed concerns to the PUC and the developer. This motion was seconded by Pelkey and approved by voice vote.

### 7. ADJOURN

Adjourned at 6:55 PM.