



RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

OLDER ADULTS & PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025, 11:00 AM

MEETING DETAILS

Virtual: [Teams Meeting](#), ID: 239 820 319 213, Pass: CpxDkJ Call: 1-802-440-1368, ID: 598 674 540#

In-Person: Rutland Regional Planning Commission Offices, 2nd Floor, 16 Evelyn St, Rutland, VT 05701

ATTENDANCE

(X = in person) (V = virtual attendance)

ORGANIZATION	NAME	
Advocacy Resources Community Rutland Area (ARC)	Diane Drake	V
	Melissa Stevens	
Bridges & Beyond (B&B)	Meredith Drude	V
	Betty Spooner	V
Castleton Community Seniors (CCS)	Laurie Knauer	V
	Jo Ann Reilly	V
Marble Valley Regional Transit District (MVRTD)	Jade McClallen	V
	Sarah Labreque	V
	Tyler D'Ambrosio	V
	Kristy Bloomer	V
One-2-One/RSVP (O-2-O/RSVP)	Tammy Brown	V
Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging (SVCOA)	Courtney Anderson	V
Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans)	Dan Currier	V

RRPC Staff: Devon Neary, Executive Director & Ethan Pepin, Transportation Planner - Rutland Regional Planning Commission

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting called to order at 11:04 PM. Introductions were made.

2. APPROVAL OF APRIL 9th AGENDA

McClallen asked to add an item for “Messaging” after “Marketing Materials Update”. Motion by Anderson to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Drake. Approved by voice vote.



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3. APPROVAL OF MARCH 12TH MINUTES

Pepin asked to make a small correction to the Minutes. Motion by Anderson to approve the minutes as amended. Second by Drude. Approved by voice vote.

4. OPEN TO PUBLIC

Stevens asked about how the program changes would affect the ARC group rides as well as her personal rides. Bloomer noted that the group rides were currently being discussed between MVRTD and ARC and that the program was not changing in terms of eligible trip types. Discussion was had about concerns with the 48 hour in advance rule for the program.

5. VOLUNTEER DRIVER UPDATE

D'Ambrosio gave an update on progress regarding bringing on new drivers as well as some materials that MVRTD would like partners to share with their volunteers.

6. MARKETING MATERIALS UPDATE

D'Ambrosio provided details about the updated ride guide that will be distributed ahead of July 1. D'Ambrosio also detailed efforts to get the word out on social media and other digital channels, noting that MVRTD would be targeting more in person outreach. Discussion was had regarding the larger outreach plans. Pepin suggested that the outreach plan and the location for flier distribution would be sent out to partners for review and feedback.

7. MESSAGING

McClallen noted that there had been some confusion among community members about the program changes, and reiterated that partners should be messaging that the program will continue but riders would have a new number to call. Discussion was had regarding the messaging efforts and the need for clarity to ensure a smooth transition.

8. ADJOURN

Adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Respectively submitted by Ethan Pepin