



# RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

## RRPC REGIONAL COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025, 6:30 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: Jack Schneider, Jim Marsh, Judy Gilmore, Erika Berner, Sarah Pelkey, Francis Ginman, and Bronson Spencer

Other: Devon Neary (RRPC) and Karen Hill (RRPC)

### MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

The Committee was called to order at 6:31 PM by Chair Berner. Introductions were made.

2. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> AGENDA

Motion to approve the September 16<sup>th</sup> agenda by Schneider with the addition of Section 248 25-1368-AN and election of the vice-chair. Seconded by Gilmore. Approved by voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> MINUTES

Motion to approve the July 15<sup>th</sup> minutes by Spencer. Seconded by Gilman. Approved by voice vote.

4. OPEN TO PUBLIC

None present.

5. ACT 250

The Committee reviewed: [1R0156-6](#), the project is generally described as the redevelopment of an auto dealership property. More specifically, the project proposes the demolition of the main building, construction of a new dealership building, renovation of the existing smaller building, and associated site improvements (e.g., stormwater infrastructure, landscaping, lighting, parking, walkways, and utilities). The project is located at 86 Squier Road in Clarendon, Vermont. Commissioner Spencer attended in support of the project representing the Town of Clarendon. Chair Berner disclosed that a family member had worked on the original construction of the building. Overall, the committee did not find any issues with the project. Motion by Pelkey to recommend to the full board issuing a letter of significant regional impact and conformance with the Rutland Regional Plan. Second by Gilman. Approved by voice vote.

6. SECTION 248

The Committee reviewed: [25-1368-AN](#), 45-day advance submission of Borderland Solar LLC for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, to file a petition for a 4.999 MW solar array in Fair Haven, Vermont. The Committee had several questions and concerns regarding the project including a lack of a decommissioning plan and location on prime agricultural soils, as part of the



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Section 248 siting criteria in the Rutland Regional Plan. In addition, there is an abutting gully erosion project being developed by the South Lake Champlain Clean Water Service Provider (CWSP) that may impact the project. Motion by Marsh to send a comment letter stating the three main concerns for the 45-day notice. Second by Pelkey. Approved by voice vote.

7. VICE-CHAIR ELECTION

Motion to elect Sarah Pelkey as vice-chair of the Regional Committee by Schneider. Seconded by Gilman. Approved by voice vote.

8. ADJOURN

Adjourned at 6:55 PM.