Commissioners Present: Piet van Loon (Acting Chair), Lew Sorenson, Alan LaCombe, Jack Cunningham, Heath Boyer, Tom Consolino, Charlie Goodwin (via teleconference)
Excused: Jodi French, Maggie Bartenhagen, Norm Wright, Carolyn Partridge, Denis Pinkernell,
Staff Present: Chris Campany, Ashley Collins
Convened: 7:03PM

Administrative Reports:
Secretary’s Report: On a motion by T. Consolino seconded by J. Cunningham the minutes from the July meeting were approved; subject to ratification.
Treasurer’s Report: On a motion by T. Consolino, seconded by A. LaCombe the August Treasurer’s report was approved; subject to ratification.

Town Plan Process: Executive Director, Chris Campany presented a Town Plan Review Process, proposed by the Planning Coordination Committee (PCC). He explained that while the PCC had been at work on the process for more than a year that a specific proposal was needed in order to address the decision by the Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD) to retain 5% of the WRC’s FY 2015 funding because 3 town plans were not approved within the 60 day statutory period, which is also an ACCD performance measure. There was some discussion about the possibility of forming a town plan review committee, which would be a subcommittee of the PCC. The Board discussed how other RPC’s review town plans, and ideas were exchanged on ways to improve the review and approval process. J. Cunningham moved that the Board approve the PCC recommendation as written, with one amendment to change the language to reflect the statute, seconded by H. Boyer; motion was approved by a unanimous vote by all present and via teleconference.

Citizen Interest Commissioners: There are two current Citizen Interest vacancies: Business and Industry and Young Professional. Gretchen Havreluk has recently stepped down from the Young Professional position. Chris mentioned that Carolyn Partridge would like to seek a potential replacement within the Young Professionals groups that SeVED’s created; J. Cunningham made a motion, seconded by H. Boyer, motion was approved to find a new Commissioner. Chris suggested changing Business & Industry to “Telecommunications and Technology”. After an extended discussion among the Board members H. Boyer moved that the presently designated Citizen Interest Commissioner for Business and Industry be re-designated as the Commissioner for Technology Matters, motion was seconded by J. Cunningham; motion was approved, subject to ratification.

Entergy Discovery in Docket 8300: Executive Director Chris Campany filed pre-file testimony which reiterated what was sent to the Public Service Board (PSB) in 2014. The PSB has requested that Chris
send the letter, which was sent on August 14th, and discovery answers that were cited in the first
response. Chris is asking the Executive Board if they would like to keep moving forward with this or
to pull back from procedure. Chris is proposing that WRC move forward with this and if it begins to
be a heavy burden he will inform the Executive Board and ask for a motion to withdraw. J.
Cunningham made a motion to endorse Chris continuing with developing a response to Entergy,
seconded by H. Boyer. The motion was approved; subject to ratification.

New Appointments: J. Cunningham moved to approve all Committee appointments as requested,
seconded by H. Boyer; motion was approved with subject to ratification.

Executive Director’s Report:
  o Executive Director Chris Campany mentioned that the Commissioner Orientation was well
    attended, and was followed by a smooth Commission meeting in August.
  o Chris mentioned that WRC Associate Director Susan McMahon recently traveled to the
    National Brownfields Conference in Chicago to accept a Phoenix Award for the work in
    Algiers Village.

Committee Reports:
LEPC: Chris mentioned that WRC Planner Alyssa Sabetto recently organized a Flood Plain
Administrators training with FEMA. Attendance was high and feedback was positive; there will be
two additional trainings in the near future to follow up.

Project Review: J. Cunningham informed the Board that the major application before the Committee
at present is the Haystack development’s proposed 93 unit condo/hotel projects. WRC attended the
hearing and filed comments, and requested a master plan from Haystack. The Environmental
Commission agreed with WRC and has also put in a request for a master plan from Haystack. The
owner of Hermitage and Brattleboro Savings & Loan President has requested a meeting with Chris in
regards to the ongoing projects, to which he suggested they attend a PRC meeting.
J. Cunningham also mentioned that he sent a letter as an individual to VT Legislative Representative
Laura Sibilia requesting a meeting to discuss how the state funds RPC’s, and will provide a copy of
this letter to the rest of the Board.

Brownfields:
Community Development:
Emergency Planning:
Energy:
Finance:
Natural Resources:
Nominating:
Planning Coordination:
Public Policy & Legislative:
Regional Plan Update:
Transportation:    No Meeting / Nothing to Report

Meeting Adjourned: 8:59PM
Respectfully Submitted,
Ashley Collins