The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE
Gary Fox   Nicolas Wallaert
Matt Mann (staff)   Jane Morano Purdy
Lou Bruso
Jodi French - Chair

MINUTES APPROVAL
A motion to accept as submitted the minutes of the February 19, 2012 passed on a unanimous vote.

BUSINESS

An Update on the Transportation Legislative Activity
Rep. Mollie Burke provided an update on the transportation bills/activities that are taking place during this legislative session. The update included the proposed transportation bill for FY14, the House version, including a proposed gas tax increase. As the revenues into the transportation fund decline (one main reason from people driving less and driving more fuel efficient vehicles), and the costs and demand for fixing our infrastructure increases, Vermont is faced with a growing transportation funding gap.

Rep. Burke also spoke to electric vehicles, the transportation Funding Study, Rail, Public Transit, MAP-21, and her legislative priorities. Her priorities include:

- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (H. 439 and H. 288)
- Bring social and economic justice to migrant farm workers (H. 306)
- Increase penalties for speeding in school zones (H. 306)

Transportation Plan Update
The Committee reviewed and discussed the policies related to the Highway Summary, Public Transportation and Bicycle and Pedestrian chapters. It was discussed to have Matt accept all changes and e-mail out a draft final version of the Introduction, Summary and Conclusions for review at the April meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

Next Meeting Date: April 8th