

CVRPC provides a forum for municipal leaders to come together while working to deliver projects, plans, and services to improve our communities. The Board of Commissioners sets policies guiding CVRPC's activities.

The Board meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except August) from 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

Commissioners have three main roles: policy setting, stewardship, and advocacy. Examples of these roles are outlined below:

- Oversee the vision and mission of the organization and keep it relevant to the needs of the region.
- Focus on the common good of the region, not just the individual community.
- Recognize and define policy decisions as those that affect the region as a whole.
- Provide direction through strategic planning to establish long-term goals and objectives.
- Provide support as necessary for management to succeed in advancing Board goals and policies.
- Meet at least 1-2 times per year with their local select board/city council and Planning Commission. (Staff can assist you with points of discussion and accompany you.)
 - Update them on the issues and decisions facing the region and seek input.
 - Learn about local challenges and successes and relay their comments and perspectives back to the Board.

A sampling of some of the topics/items that have come before the Board in 2023 and priorities looking into 2024:

- Review and adoption of a Bylaw update
- Review, comment on and adoption of the West Central Vermont Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) (staff project with other regional commissions)
- Review and Approve municipal dues assessment (recommendation from Executive Director and Executive Committee

- Approve Municipal Plan Updates for Worcester, Middlesex and Fayston (review of updates completed by staff and Municipal Plan Committee with a recommendation for approval)
- Develop a list of priorities to guide regional flood recovery activities
- Hear presentations from staff or other organizations and provide comments related to such topics as: Regional Plan Update, Economic Development in Central Vermont, Utilization of Shared Assessor for municipalities, State Legislative Policies, CVRPC workplan and budget...

We also have several committees of the Board that review and make recommendations to the Board regarding may of the issues outlined above. Participation on an additional committee is not required of a Commissioner, although it is encouraged. Below is an overview of our current committees.

<u>Transportation Advisory Committee</u> (TAC) provides regional input into State transportation policy and project prioritization and can help elevate local needs to a state level – **municipal representative is appointed by the municipality**

<u>Winooski Basin Water Quality Council</u> prioritizes projects that will address significant water quality impairments that exist in the Winooski basin and participates in the basin planning process

<u>Project Review Committee</u> determines Act 250 / Section 248 conformance with the Regional Plan, provides input and recommendations for projects with significant regional impact

Regional Plan Committee develops and recommends updates to the Regional Plan

<u>Municipal Plan Review Committee</u> reviews municipal plans for conformance to statutory requirements, reviews municipality's planning process, provides guidance regarding future plan updates

<u>Clean Water Advisory Committee</u> determines direction and goals regarding Lake Champlain Tactical Basin Plans, TMDL and the Regional Plan

<u>Brownfields Advisory Committee</u> oversees CVRPC's brownfields program, prioritizes sites for assessment, and participates in hiring contractors