

Rural Resilience Subcommittee of the Vermont Climate Council

September 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Date/Time:	September 3, 2021 1:04 PM
Location:	Zoom meeting recorded and posted online physical location at the ANR offices in Montpelier
Subcommittee Members Present:	Erica Bornemann, Catherine Dimitruk, Joe Segale, Mike Burke, Chad Farrell, Bronwyn Cooke, Chris Cochran (Lindsey Kurrle designee), Ann Lawless, Karen Horn, David Snedeker
Staff Members Present:	Marian Wolz, Jens Hilke, Ben Rose, Allison Ross, Anne Margolis, Dale Azaria, Jane Lazorchak, Marissa Yanez, Stephanie Smith, Catherine Morris (CBI)
Minutes By:	Sue Sharbino

Greeting, Review and Approval of Agenda and [8/27/21 Minutes](#) – Erica Bornemann

- No changes, minutes approved.

Report out from pathway leads on strategy and action progress

- Pathway 1 – Chris reported the review of strategies and actions and identified missing information and crosscutting pathways.
- Pathway 2 – Joe reported on reorganizing into broader strategies and identified duplicates.
- Pathway 3 – Ann reported on whether pathway 3 is needed as it's similar to pathway 1. The group concluded that Pathway 3 is needed. Brainstormed ideas and reviewed earlier documents which was helpful.
- Pathway 4 – Chris reported on initial meeting and the challenges ahead and they invited Regina Mahoney from Central VT Regional Planning Commission as a rep to participate.
- Pathway 5 – Chris reported on engaging with housing policy colleagues and VT Housing Finance Agency.
- Anything removed from the list should be kept aside so there is visibility on it.
- A reminder that these will be presented to the VT Climate Council on September 28th with submissions due on September 21st. Identify any strategies or actions that may be controversial, so the group is prepared if it is brought up at the full council meeting.

Land Use in the CAP Meeting Update - Jane Lazorchak

- A brief update on formalizing the engagement with counselors and who will take the lead and present to the council on the 14th. How to flag those cross-cutting land use processes throughout committees, forming one group to move forward on that.
- Chad Farrell volunteered to be a part of the group based on his experience in land use.

Stakeholder Engagement Events - Jane Lazorchak

- Updated the group on implementing ideas for all sub committees and identifying stakeholders.
- Catherine Morris (CBI) has submitted the latest draft on the agenda for the September 15th Rural Communities & Climate Resilience Stakeholder Workshop which the group reviewed and will refine. It was agreed upon to release a short paragraph, a “save the date” type overview with a zoom link, for release on Tuesday (9/7).

Goal Revisions

- Feedback from the council was incorporated. Pathway 3 still needs to finalize goals. Revised Pathway 2 goals wording.

Public Comment - None

2:07 pm Adjourn

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