

NVEDD Minutes February 4th, 2025

Meeting held at the Lamoille County Planning Commission

Morrisville, VT

Meeting was called to order at 1:03 PM at LCPC.

Introductions were made

Minutes from December 3rd were approved on a motion from Bill Sheets seconded Christine McGowan.

Tim Smith introduced John Dasaro from Enosburg and Ales Goddard from Alburg. Both are town administrators for their respective communities. Tim nominated both of them to fill Franklin/Grand Isle NVEDD Board vacancies. Scott Johnstone made the motion to approve both John and Alex as NVEDD Board members, the motion was seconded by Lisa Birmingham and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Board then moved into a presentation by SLR regarding the study of the hydrology of the Lamoille River. This work was funded by an EDA grant that was written by LCPC and signed onto by NVDA and FGI. Roy Schiff and Doug Osbourne from SLR gave the presentation. The presentation was very good and many questions were asked. The project is still in the early phases.

Katherine Trapani spoke about EDA grants. EDA grants cannot fund projects that are eligible for FEMA funding.

James Paradissio representing Senator Sanders office talked about workforce issues/challenges and what they are seeing coming out of the White House.

Fauna Hurley with Senator Welch's office inquired about any confusion regarding grant/funding freezes. Concerned about the impacts of tariffs on businesses. Don't hesitate to reach out to the Senator's office.

Morgan Nichols representing Congresswoman Balint's office encouraged folks to share stories with the delegation.

Tim asked for potential presentations. The next meeting will be a Zoom meeting

Meeting adjourned at 2:33.