

**Mad River Valley Planning District
Steering Committee Meeting
Agenda for Meeting of
November 19, 2015
7:00 P.M.
General Wait House Meeting Room**

I. Accept Minutes of 10/15/15 Steering Committee Meeting

II. Director's Report

III. New Business

- a. MRVPD Workplan
- b. MOU Requirements For Annual Data Report

IV. Old Business

- a. Mad River Valley Town Leadership Meeting
- b. 2015 Economic Summit Update

V. Events/Trainings/Info

- a. Vermont Transportation Board Public Forum | 11/17 | Thatcher Brook School.
This public forum is focused on engaging the public in a conversation about navigating Vermont without a car. Topics include public transportation, the future of passenger rail, the proliferation of car sharing, bicycle and pedestrian safety, and how the legalization of marijuana could affect highway safety. Recent trends indicate that both nationally and in Vermont people are driving significantly less than they did a decade ago, and that their transportation priorities differ from those seen in years past. The Board wants to discuss this with Vermonters to determine how future transportation policy can be shaped to best position Vermont to meet their needs and remain both a safe and attractive place to live, work and raise a family. For those who cannot attend, comment can also be submitted via email. For more information, please visit the Board's website at <http://tboard.vermont.gov>.
- b. Community Builders Webinar – Infill Development Strategies | 11/18/15
<http://communitybuilders.org/learn/upcoming-webinars/>
- c. Heart & Soul Webinar | 11/19 Join Orton Programs Director Alece Montez-Griego and Senior Associate Leanne Tingay for this webinar that includes audience Q & A. *From Options to Decisions: Phase 3 of Community Heart & Soul*, Thursday, November 19, 3-4 p.m.
- d. Central Vermont Community Solar Forum | 11/21 | Randolph. Town energy committees, selectboards and planning commissions are invited to participate in a discussion of solar power development, siting problems and solar project types. The forum will focus on how to best expand solar electrical generation in the region on a community scale. Town officials dealing with big solar siting issues will share their experiences. Community solar activists, solar developers, solar technical and legal experts and the Vermont Public Service Board will present information. The forum is hosted by Randolph Energy Committee and Vermont Technical College. More info at http://www.vecan.net/ai1ec_event/central-vermont-community-solar-forum/?instance_id=220900.

- e. Vermont Community Development Association (VCDA) Fall Conference | 12/3/15 | Burlington VT. Topic: Workforce Housing. <http://www.vtcda.org/>
- f. Vermont Energy & Climate Action Network (VECAN) Conference | 12/5 | Fairlee Explore clean energy and climate action strategies that Vermonters can help implement locally and beyond.
- g. Water Works Conference | 12/11 | St. Albans The Vermont Planners Association presents an overview of current water quality issues, innovation in planning, and best practices. This day-long workshop will focus on big-picture water quality planning in the morning and best practices in the afternoon. More info here: <http://www.tinyurl.com/vpa2015>.
- h. 2015 MRV Economic Summit | 12/17 | Sugarbush Gate House

VI. Next Meeting

- a. 12/17/15 - 2015 MRV Economic Summit - Sugarbush Gate House
- b. 1/21/16 – Next MRVPD mtg