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**Vast LVRTC Committee Meeting**  
**held on April 11, 2007**  
**in Morrisville, Vermont**

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**Attending:** Ted Chase, Chairman, Julius Goodman, Danny Hale, Daniel Favreau, Laird McDowell, Zeke Zucker, and Margaret Bowen. Others, Bryant Watson, ED and Pat Poulin, VP of Vast, Starr Poulin, Carmen Calkins, and Gene Bowen. LAC Members in attendance Patti Coultas, Bill Rose, Cynthia Scott and Greg Kneeland.

**Absent:** Dan Zucker, Ken Hoepfner, Alan Robertson and Mike O'Hara.

**The meeting was called to order by Ted Chase, Chairman.**

**Secretary's Minutes** - March 14 2007 minutes - changes were made as follows: Laird McDowell elected as "interim" financial officer, and correction under Web site, voted to "pursue the name of LVRT.org". Motion was made seconded and voted to approve the minutes of March 14, 2007 with amendments. The approved minutes to be sent to Tjark at the Vast Office for putting on the web site.

**Financial Report** - Laird McDowell, interim financial officers gave a brief financial report on the line item in the VAST Budget. Discussion took place on the same between committee members and Bryant. Motion was made, seconded and voted to accept the financial report.

LAC Members - introductions of LAC members in attendance and others present at the meeting.

**Bryant Watson's Report:**

- VTrans has received approval of the project
- Work will begin on the Cooperative Agreement
- Assessment of the Rail Bed with our Engineer doing field work
- Many documents available at this time from VTrans and Studies done on the RR Bed
- Design a form for volunteers and paid employees to use toward matching funds
- Vast in kind work/donated volunteer time/cash match is approximately \$1,400,000.00
- Presently we are working under a 6 month Interim Management Plan with five months to go, so we will need to begin a proactive approach to begin getting that document into final form
- Act 250 hearing on Barry Cahoon's Flood Plan Restoration project had only one landowner and Vast at the hearing, and storage of fill was the only issue
- A brief description of Barry Cahoon's Project/ANR Rivers and Stream Alteration 15 projects along the LVRR was done for the benefit of the LAC members in attendance

**LAC Report** - Bill Rose reported that the LAC Committee has established interim bylaws. Officers appointed were Chip Sawyer as Chairman, Bill Rose as Vice-Chair and Cynthia Scott as Secretary. It was asked whether or not our committee could get a copy of the full information on the members of their committee with contact information.

**Web Site:** LVRT.org Red Goodman to get in touch with Tjark at the VAST office before he leaves for his new job. Bryant noted the hosting fees have been paid.

**Friends of the LVRR** - Brief discussion took place about the group and what their agenda is at this time.

**Engineer's Request-** Alan Robertson needs to develop a list of names of people along the LVRR Bed who know the area and can help him identify the areas which need work so that he does not have to look at the whole area in making a determination of what is needed. Bryant reported that they hope to be on the bed the first week in May if not before to start the work. Those signed up from our meeting, Dan Hale - Wolcott to Walden; Greg Kneeland - Johnson to Cambridge; Daniel Favreau - Sheldon to Swanton.

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Next Meeting - May 9, 2007 at 6:30 PM @ Hillary's in Morrisville.

### **Agenda for May 9, 2007 Meeting:**

Opening of meeting and introduction of guests

Secretary's Report

Financial Report

Bryant Watson's Report - Update on VTrans Issues

Alan Robertson, PE - update of Required Trail Documentation and work to be done

Web Site/Membership Cards update

Assessment questioner - Ken Hoepfner

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment

Any other items of discussion to be added prior to moving forward with meeting.

Margaret L. Bowen, Secretary