

Bennington Region TAC mtg
1/19/2022 at 3pm

Attendees:

Mark Anders, Katharine Otto, Fredericka, Cuenca, Nick Zaiac, Jim Hand, Beth Wallace, Fredericka Cuenca

Minutes:

1. TAC Chair Election

Mark: Bruce Lierman is stepping down as TAC Chair. We seek nominations for a new Chair.

Nick: Volunteered to be Chair if no one else steps forward.

TAC approved Nick as new Chair.

2. Automated Speed Enforcement Memo

Nick: the memo covers the bases and will be good issue intro for the legislators. Would like restrictions to ASE.

Discussion about what triggers a violation. Nick: it is usually 10-15mph over the limit that triggers the violation.

Bruce: memo might need some tweak but supports it. Pedestrian fatality rate much higher in crashes that are just 5mph faster.

Karen: lots of problem areas in Sandgate. Questions about the cost and equipment.

Fredericka (via email) says memo looks good.

3. Policy discussion, Climate Action Plan – Jim Sullivan:

Jim reviewed the transportation sections of the Climate Action Plan and the Comprehensive Energy Plan. The takeaway is that there is not much substance to these documents. Too much emphasis on EVs. Not enough TDM, better land use and bike/ped. He would like a 10% set-aside for Complete Streets implementation for every transportation project. If Complete Streets doesn't work for that particular project, put the money in a Complete Streets fund.

Bruce: would like to see funding for EV car share and charging stations at apartment complexes.