LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

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LRPC COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

Monday, March 27, 2023

6:00 PM

Hobbs Tavern & Brewing Company (upstairs)
2415 White Mountain Highway
West Ossipee, NH

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order, Establish Quorum, Acknowledge New Commissioners
- 2. **Approve Draft Minutes** of October 24, 2022 & November 28, 2022

Attachments

3. **Old Business**

Proposed By-Laws Change – Executive Board Term of Office (*Requires Vote*)

Attachment

- 4. **New Business**
 - a. Commitment to Serve and Conflict of Interest Policies (Need to sign and return.)

Attachments

- b. Commissioner Biographies
- c. Reminder: Wearing Name Tags to Meetings
- 5. **Presentations**
 - a. Regional Housing Needs Assessment Review (Dave Jeffers & Christine Marion)
 - b. BEA Presentation (remote)
 - i. Northern Border Regional Commission (Steve Fortier)
 - ii. InvestNH Housing (Andrew Dorsett)
- 6. Regional Updates/Announcements
- 7. **Commissioner Roundtable**

Share noteworthy news and happenings from your communities.

8. Adjourn

NEXT MEETING: April 24, 2023

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Minutes of October 24, 2022 Commission Meeting

Moultonborough Public Library 4 Holland Street Moultonborough, NH

PRESENT

Commissioners		Others	
Ashland:	Mardean Badger	Donna Crisp Duclos Andover	
Barnstead:	David Kerr		
Bristol:	William Dowey		
Center Harbor:	Mark Hildebrand		
Gilford:	John Ayer		
Holderness:	Robert Snelling		
Laconia:	Stacy Soucy		
Moultonborough:	Cristina Ashjian		
	Celeste Burns		
Northfield:	Wayne Crowley	LRPC Staff	
	Douglas Read	Executive Director:	Jeff Hayes
Sandwich:	Bonnie Osler	Regional Planner: David Jeffers	
Tamworth:	Kelly Goodson	Solid Waste Planner: Matt Rose	
	Wyatt Berrier, Alt.	Administrative Assistant: Linda Waldron	

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 PM by Chair John Ayer.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chair Ayer asked if there were any questions, comments, discussions, or changes concerning the minutes before the Commission for approval. Receiving none of the aforementioned, Chair Ayer asked for a motion for approval. Mardean Badger put forth a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Bonnie Osler seconded the motion. Chair Ayer conducted a verbal vote on the motion with all voices signifying they were in favor. Motion passed.

3. Old Business

None

4. New Business

Executive Director Hayes referred to attendance issues, mentioning that our By-Laws govern that if a Commissioner misses 3 consecutive meetings, the Executive Board is directed to prepare a letter notifying the municipality served by the Commissioner of the lack of attendance. This is something we have been deficient in doing and we would like to back on track. Given that our previous notification letter was outdated, a new draft was prepared which was provided to the Commissioner's at the outset of the meeting. This letter was provided for informational purposes only and does not need to be approved.

5. Presentations (FY23 Solid Waste Management Grant & Household Hazardous Waste)

Executive Director Hayes provided a brief history and specifics of the Solid Waste and Household Hazardous Waste programs, then introduced Matt Rose (Solid Waste Planner) and Dave Jeffers (Regional Planner) who had organized a PowerPoint presentation.

Matt Rose took the podium and further introduced himself, providing information on the USDA Solid Waste Management Grant which the LRPC has applied for and been awarded for a few years now. This year's (FY23) award was the largest ever received at \$147,300. Matt explained in detail what is involved in each of the areas the grant covers: technical assistance, research, expansion of our regional HHW collection program, regional purchases, and public outreach/education.

Matt Rose then introduced Dave Jeffers to speak on our HHW collection events and plans to expand the program. Dave provided a history of past events and supplied some data regarding this past summer's activity. It is anticipated that next year's collection dates will remain the same, but that some site locations will change. Dave mentions that there is a need for future discussions regarding the collection of universal waste (e.g., CFL light bulbs, waste oil, mercury devices, fire extinguishers, tires, rechargeable batteries, etc.). Finally, 2023 is the last year of the fixed rate contract with our waste disposal vendor (Tradebee) therefore it is anticipated that negotiations on a new contract will begin soon.

Matt returned to the podium to offer information on regional purchases in solid waste management. This would include items such as bailers and storage bins for recyclables and paper which would benefit municipalities in their recycling programs. Other considerations include water and sewer updates to protect our groundwater, large scale storage facilities to accommodate smaller communities that cannot recycle on their own, and renewable energy implementation (e.g., solar and wind farms, etc.).

6. Regional Updates/Announcements

- a. PRLAC Pemigewasset River Corridor Management Plan Update. Dave Jeffers touched upon the corridor management plan update in coordination with PRLAC. This plan has not been updated since 2013 and we expect it to take about a year to complete. This update can then be adopted by communities for use in their master plans.
- b. <u>Planning & Land Use Regulations Book Order</u>. Executive Director Hayes advises that orders have been placed and we expect books to be delivered early next year.

7. Commissioner Roundtable

Due to the length of the presentation and the conclusion of the meeting being minutes away, Chair Ayer suggested that rather than cycling through everyone present for news, anyone with something substantial to share should be heard.

C. Ashjian, Moultonborough—Welcomed the LRCP to her Town and was glad we were there. She mentioned that the school district intends on erecting an electronic video message board on governmental property located at the gateway to the village. Although unlikely, she remains hopeful they may reconsider this decision.

S. Soucy, Laconia—Mentions that the DPW in Laconia is short 6 employees and wonders if anyone present may know of any people with a CDL license looking for work. The plans for the old Laconia State School property which was presented to the City last week has not been finalized and there are still 90 days before the sale will be complete. There is much more detailed information needed from the developer.

8. Adjournment

Chair Ayer thanked Dave and Matt for their presentations.

Donna Crisp Duclos of Andover spoke up to inform the Commissioners that she will be appointed as Commissioner for the Town of Andover this Wednesday evening. She looks forward to future meetings as she got a great deal of information from tonight's meeting.

Jeff reminds Commissioners that next month's meeting is being held at the public library in Plymouth and that the topic will be transportation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.



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Lakes Region Planning Commission

Minutes of November 28, 2022 Commission Meeting

Pease Public Library 1 Russell Street Plymouth, NH

PRESENT

Con	nmissioners	Others		
Ashland:	Mardean Badger	Hebron, PB Chair: Ivan Quinchi		
Barnstead:	David Kerr	Plymouth Resident: Frank Miller		
Gilford:	John Ayer			
Holderness:	Robert Snelling			
Laconia:	Stacy Soucy			
Meredith:	Stephanie Maltais			
Moultonborough:	Cristina Ashjian			
	Celeste Burns	LRPC Staff		
Northfield:	Wayne Crowley	Executive Director:	Jeff Hayes	
	Douglas Read	Sr. Transportation Planner:	Sean Chamberlin	
Sandwich:	Bonnie Osler	Land Use Planner: Christine Marion		
Tilton:	Jane Alden	Transportation Intern:	Ryan Paterson	
	Jeanie Forrester, Alt.	Administrative Assistant:	Linda Waldron	

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 PM by Chair John Ayer.

2. Approval of Minutes

A quorum was not established; therefore approval of the October minutes will be moved to next meeting.

3. Old Business

None

4. New Business

Proposed By-Laws Update: Term of Office

Executive Director Hayes stated that it was noted that our By-Laws conflict with RSA 36 regarding the election of officers in that it currently states that elections shall be held every two years, but RSA 36:48 states that officers shall be elected annually. We need to amend our By-Laws in order to be in compliance. A draft of the proposed amended language was provided and, in accordance with Article 10 of our By-

Laws, a period of at least 30 days will be allowed for consideration and comment. At the next meeting of the Commission, the Executive Board will submit a report summarizing any comments received, the recommendation of the Board, and a proposed amendment in final form as a written ballot for adoption.

5. Presentations (Transportation Program Overview; Data Collection & GIS Programs)

Executive Director Hayes provided a brief introduction stating that transportation is our biggest program area and our primary focus. He introduced Sr. Transportation Planner Sean Chamberlin and Transportation Intern Ryan Paterson.

Sean Chamberlin took the podium and reported on the topics of Regional Transportation Plan, Ten Year Plan Funding and Project Prioritization, Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, Streetscaping, and Alternative Funding Opportunities.

Ryan Chamberlin spoke on the topic of Sidewalk Inventory Assessment as well as Traffic Counts & Mapping.

This oration also included a PowerPoint presentation, and a copy of the slides are attached for more information.

Executive Director Hayes made mention of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill which is only available for a period of 5 years and filled with many funding opportunities for which municipalities need only a 20% match. He urged members to advise their city/town officials to move quickly and submit applications.

6. Regional Updates/Announcements

- a. <u>Reappointed/Newly Appointed Commissioners</u>. Chair Ayer announced that the Town of Danbury has reappointed John Taylor and newly appointed Mark Zaccaria as Commissioners to the LRPC. The Town of Tilton has newly appointed Jane Alden and Lee Ann Moynihan has stepped down effective immediately. Finally, the Town of Meredith has newly appointed Stephanie Maltais.
- b. <u>Planner's Roundtable Discussion</u>. Land Use Planner Christine Marion addressed the audience providing a biography and work background. She stated that she would like to share her knowledge with and learn about our communities. She is excited to be here and encouraged open communication. She noted that she has recently been working with Regional Planner Dave Jeffers on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment project. There was also a question and answer session.

7. Commissioner Roundtable

- J. Ayer, Gilford—The Town has been working on a short term rental ordinance, the new Michael's store in the Walmart Plaza is now open, and construction on two large self-storage projects continues to move forward.
- D. Kerr, Barnstead—Dave recently attended the NH Municipal Association's annual conference and highly recommended attending next year's conference. He said that the speakers and exhibitions were excellent. The planning board is requesting a performance bond regarding the construction of 8 9 houses on a Class 6 road.
- S. Soucy, Laconia—Referred to a series of homeless forums recently conducted for which turnout was dismal. The planning department waived a lot of zoning requirements for ADUs (accessory dwelling units) to encourage this type of construction but because of the increase in construction costs, this did not occur. Also, the Planning Board has been waiving its fees on infill development applications which has spread like wildfire where people have been modifying huge homes with more living space.

Frank Miller, a citizen representative for Plymouth spoke. He has a local business where he does research and development and creates specific programs associated with master plans, housing, parking, and other infrastructure issues. He has been working on a master plan update for Main Street and the village commercial zone whereby he is rewording the Town's plan in simplified terms and adding visuals in an effort to make it more understandable to the layperson. He noted that during his

review and inventory of Plymouth, it was discovered the Plymouth is the only *town* in the State that has all 7 modes of transportation infrastructure within its bounds. The only others are 3 *cities* (Concord, Manchester & Portsmouth).

- J. Forester, Tilton—Introduced Jane Alden as new commissioner and asked her to provide an update. Jane said there are exciting things happening in Tilton, one of which is the approval of a plan for a resort on the lake which should be a positive asset. A dialysis center recently opened, and a second microbrewery is scheduled to open soon. She also noted that the island in town which is primarily used for summer concerts is currently closed due to needed repairs on the footbridge connecting the island property. The bridge is the oldest of its type in the U.S. so saving it is paramount.
- M. Badger, Ashland—Nothing new to report.
- B. Snelling, Holderness—Nothing new to report.
- W. Crowley, Northfield—The previously approved UPS facility is now under construction which will add about 200 jobs to the local economy. There is a 200' cell tower which has been built but not yet operational.
- D. Read, Northfield—Noted that the fire department is refusing to pay for the hydrants.
- C. Ashjian, Moultonborough—The new update on the Bean Road project is scheduled for December 14th before the Planning Board. There is a DOT meeting schedule for December 1st focused on the Route 25/Lakeshore Drive/Glidden Road improvement project. The foundation for the old schoolhouse will be constructed to be historically correct. The school is moving forward on the installation of an electronic video message board.
- C. Burns, Moultonborough—The recreational department is putting up the holiday happenings throughout the town and local businesses will be having open houses over the next weeks. Christmas tree lighting is this coming weekend. Holiday PTA fair is scheduled. Construction of luxury toybox homes continues at the intersection of Redding Lane despite that this intersection is declared one of the most dangerous in the state.
- B. Osler, Sandwich—The broadband project was funded and most of the fiber has been strung. Houses are now being connected. Christmas/holiday activities are underway.
- S. Maltais, Meredith—The Town has entered into an agreement to purchase solar panels for a number of municipal buildings. Looking to obtain grant funding to modify their housing plan. Groundwork has begun on the Speare Memorial clinic located at the round-about.

Ivan Quinchia, Hebron (Planning Board Chair)—Hebron is close to completing their hazard mitigation plan. In the planning stages for a community center and library. Possibly looking to expand accessory dwellings with detached and are weighing out the pros and cons. Beginning the process of updating their master plan.

8. Adjournment

Chair Ayer adjourned the meeting at 7:48 PM.

8.3 Nomination of Executive Board

A Nominating Committee of up to five (5) Commissioners shall be appointed by the Executive Board of the Commission at least one hundred eighty (180) days in advance of the Annual Commission meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consider the interest, ability, and residency of Commissioner members in serving as members of the Executive Board. This information shall be used in preparing a ballot to be submitted to the Commission. The Nominating Committee may nominate one or more candidates for each office.

8.4 Election of Executive Board

The Executive Board shall be elected by the affirmative written ballots of a majority of the Commissioners voting at the Annual Meeting every two (2) years. The results of the ballots shall be totaled and announced at that meeting. Commissioners are privileged to vote for any qualified person, whether or not he be nominated by the Nominating Committee. In case no candidate for a particular office shall receive a majority of the votes cast, a second ballot shall be cast between the two candidates with the most votes. Then, in the event of a tie, the office will be determined by lot.



3.5 <u>Term of Office</u>

In accordance with RSA 36:48, the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected annually. The term of office for Executive Board Members shall begin immediately after the Annual Meeting at which they are declared elected and shall end immediately after the end of the Annual Meeting of the following year; but officers shall hold office until their successors have been elected and assume the duties of the office.

8.6 <u>Vacancies</u>

The Executive Board may temporarily fill vacancies in office occurring between annual elections, Executive Board Members so elected to hold office only for the balance of the current year or until their successors are elected and assume the duties of the office.

8.7 <u>Duties of Executive Board</u>

The Executive Board shall be responsible for the carrying out of the Annual Work Program within the Budget as approved by the Commission.

For this purpose, the Executive Board is authorized to take all actions necessary to implement the Work Program, including but not limited to, approving and signing of contracts in the name of the Commission and publicizing the position of the Commission on matters of concern to local and Regional Planning issues.

The Chairman shall call meetings of the Commission and the Executive Board and shall preside at these meetings. He shall, except as otherwise provided, create and discharge standing committees and special committees and serve as a non-voting ex-officio member of all committees, except in the case of a tie when

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Appointment Procedure

Commissioner Appointments

The Lakes Region Planning Commission consists of voluntary representatives nominated by the Planning Boards and appointed by the Selectboards/City Councils of each member municipality as governed under RSA 36:46-III (see NH RSA 36 at Appendix A). Member communities are each entitled to 2 representatives (3 for populations over 10,000) plus an alternate.

The Selectboard/City Council notifies LRPC of the appointment. The notification letter must include the following for each appointed commissioner: date of appointment, name, address, phone number, email address, and whether the newly appointed commissioner will serve a new term or fill the balance of a vacant, unexpired term. All appointed Commissioners are required to sign a Commitment to Serve document (Appendix J) and a Conflict of Interest document (Appendix K) at time of appointment. The Conflict of Interest document shall be updated annually. See By-Laws for information regarding duties and responsibilities (Appendix F) of Commissioners.

When a representative resigns, the Commission must be notified in writing.

Alternates

Each member may appoint Alternate Commissioners who may act and vote as Commissioners in the absence of the Commissioners from their own municipality.

Terms

Commissioners serve 4-year terms, but initial appointments are staggered terms of 2 and 4 years (2, 3 and 4 years for municipalities that are entitled to 3 or more representatives).

Vacancies

Vacancies shall be filled for the **remainder of the unexpired term** in the same manner as original appointments.

Executive Board Appointments

The Executive Board typically consists of 12 members who are also appointed Commissioners. The Executive Board is made up of 4 officers which include a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer as well as 4 Area Commissioners, and up to 4 At Large Commissioners. The Area Commissioners shall each reside within and represent one of the four geographic areas in the LRPC region (see Map of LRPC Sub-Areas). The At Large Commissioners shall also reside within and represent one of the four geographic areas in the LRPC region to the extent possible. Executive Board members are nominated by the Nominating Committee and are placed on a written ballot submitted to the Commission. The election of Executive Board members is conducted at the annual meeting every 2 years (biennially); however, the election of officers is conducted at the annual meeting every year (annually). All Executive Board members are required to sign a secondary Commitment to Serve document (Appendix L) and a Conflict of Interest document (Appendix M) designed specifically for this position at time of election. The Conflict of Interest document shall be updated annually. See By-Laws for information regarding duties and responsibilities (Appendix F) of Executive Board members.

TAC Appointments

The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is a standing committee of the Commission and is purely advisory. Each dues-paying member may appoint one representative to the TAC and are encouraged to designate an alternate. Appointing authority is the Board of Selectmen/City Council. TAC terms are for two years. (See TAC Standing Rules and Procedures for details.)



LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

COMMITMENT TO SERVE FOR COMMISSIONERS

Recognizing the important responsibility I am undertaking in serving as a Commissioner of the Lakes Region Planning Commission, I hereby personally pledge to carry out, in a trustworthy and diligent manner, all the duties and obligations inherent in my role as a Commissioner.

MY ROLE

I acknowledge that my primary role as a Commissioner is (1) to contribute to the defining of the Lakes Region Planning Commission mission and governing the fulfillment of that mission, and (2) to carry out the functions of Commissioner described in the "Your Job as a Commissioner" Section of the Commissioner Handbook and in Section 7.2 of the By-Laws.

My role as a Commissioner will focus on the development of broad policies that govern the implementation of institutional plans and purposes. This role is separate and distinct from the role of the Executive Director to who is delegated the determining of the means of implementation.

MY COMMITMENT

I will exercise, to the best of my ability, the duties and responsibilities of this role with integrity, collegiality and due care.

I COMMIT

- 1. To establish as a high priority my attendance at all meetings of the Commissioners, committees, and task forces on which I serve.
- 2. To come prepared to contribute to the discussion of issues and business to be addressed at scheduled meetings, having read the agenda and all background support material relevant to the meeting.
- 3. To work with and respect the opinions of my peers who also serve as Commissioners, and to leave my personal prejudices out of all commission discussions.
- 4. To always act for the good of this organization.
- 5. To represent the LRPC in a positive and supportive manner at all times and in all places.
- 6. To display courteous conduct in all Commissioner, committee, and task force meetings, and to adhere to recognized meeting procedures.

- 7. To refrain from intruding on administrative issues that are the responsibility of management, except to monitor the results and prohibit methods not in congruity with LRPC policy.
- 8. To avoid conflicts of interest between my position as a Commissioner and my personal life. If such a conflict does arise, I will declare that conflict before the Commission and refrain from voting on matters in which I have a conflict.
- 9. To support in a positive manner all actions taken by vote by the Commission.
- 10. If I chair a committee or a task force, I will:
 - a. Call meetings as necessary until objectives are met.
 - b. Ensure that the agenda and support materials are mailed to all members in advance of the meetings.
 - c. Conduct the meetings in an orderly, fair, open, and efficient manner.
 - d. Make committee and task force progress reports/minutes to the Executive Board at its scheduled meetings, using the adopted format.
- 11. To participate in retreats, workshops, seminars, and other educational events that enhance my skills as a Commissioner.
- 12. To report the activities of the LRPC to my local Board of Selectmen and Planning Board on a regular basis.

If for any reason, I find myself unable to carry out the above duties as best as I can, I agree to resign my position as Commissioner.

Date:		
Signature:		
Print Name:		



LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY FOR COMMISSIONERS

The following shall govern the conduct of Commissioners of the Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC).

I. Declaration of Policy

It is the policy of the LRPC that no Commissioner shall have any interest, financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, engage in any business transaction or professional activity, or incur any obligation of any nature which is in substantial conflict with the proper discharge of his or her duties. To implement this policy and to enhance the faith and confidence of the people of the region in their planning commission, this policy sets forth standards of conduct required of LRPC Commissioners in the performance of their official duties.

It is declared to be the policy of the LRPC that Commissioner are bound to perform their duties efficiently and faithfully under the laws of the state of New Hampshire. Commissioners are bound to observe the highest standards of ethics consistent with this policy regardless of personal considerations, recognizing that promoting the public interest and maintaining the respect of the people in their local municipalities must be of foremost concern.

II. Definition

"Conflict of Interest" shall mean a situation, circumstance, or financial interest which has the potential to cause a private interest to interfere with the proper exercise of a public duty.

III. Conflict of Interest

Commissioners shall avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest. Commissioners shall not participate in any matter in which they, or their spouse or dependents, have a private interest which may directly or indirectly affect or influence the performance of their duties.

IV. Misuse of Position

No Commissioner shall disclose or use confidential or privileged information for personal benefit or for financial gain. Commissioners shall not use their positions with the LRPC to secure privileges or advantages for themselves which are not generally available to the public, or to secure privileges or advantages for others.

V. Acceptance and Giving of Gifts

No Commissioner or their spouse or dependents shall give, solicit, accept or agree to accept a gift or favors from any person or entity who is subject to or likely to become subject to or

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interested in, any matter or action pending before or contemplated by the Commission or by the LRPC as a whole.

VI. Financial Disclosure

To ensure that the performance of official duties does not give rise to a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest, Commissioners shall file an annual Conflict of Interest Disclosure, listing financial and organizational interests which might cause a conflict of interest.

Financial and organizational interests	which might cause a conflict of interest.
ANNUAL FORM DISTRIBUTED	<u>O TO</u> :
Commissioner Name:	
Commissioner Signature:	
Date:	

LIST OF PRESENTERS

Lakes Region Planning Commission

David Jeffers Regional Planner/GIS



David Jeffers has been with the Lakes Region Planning Commission since 2002. As Regional Planner he assists communities on a variety of planning topics including transportation data collection, GIS mapping, hazard mitigation, water resources, and coordination of the regional household hazardous waste collections. Helping people see patterns in information and make regional connections run through much of his work. Recently he has been working on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment in coordination with colleagues throughout the state.

Prior to joining LRPC, Jeffers taught science and math and coached at independent schools in Virginia, Connecticut, and New Hampshire.

Christine Marion Land Use Planner



Christine Marion started in October 2022 as a land use planner with the Lakes Region Planning Commission. Prior to joining the Commission, Christine worked over 34 years for the Morris County Office of Planning and Preservation in New Jersey, starting as Senior Planning Aide three days out of college and, after several promotions, became Planning Director for the last 11 years of her career. As Director, she was responsible for administering Long Range Planning, Land Development Review, and four Preservation Trust Fund programs: Open Space, Farmland Preservation, Historic Preservation, and Flood Mitigation and managed the fourteen staff members working in those areas. She also reported to and undertook actions directed by the Morris County Planning Board, her Department Head and County Administrator.

In addition to her work with Morris County, she participated in training new municipal planning board members and was a speaker at conferences for the New Jersey League of Municipalities, Leadership Morris, New Jersey Planning Officials and Morris County Chamber of Commerce. She served as Secretary of the Rockaway River Watershed Cabinet and was active in the New Jersey County Planners Association serving as president in 2001. Christine is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. She is a graduate of Cook College, Rutgers University with an undergraduate degree in Environmental Planning and Design.

After residing, studying, and working in New Jersey her entire life, Christine retired in June 2020 and happily relocated with her husband and pets to Plymouth, New Hampshire. She is a member of the Appalachian Mountain Club and volunteers as a Trailhead Steward with the US Forest Service in the White Mountains. She enjoys hiking, bicycling, skiing, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing.

Department of Business and Economic Affairs



Andrew Dorsett is the Housing Finance Director at NH Department of Business & Economic Affairs. In this role, he leads the InvestNH affordable housing initiative. Andrew has served as a county administrator, town manager, and state representative in the past.

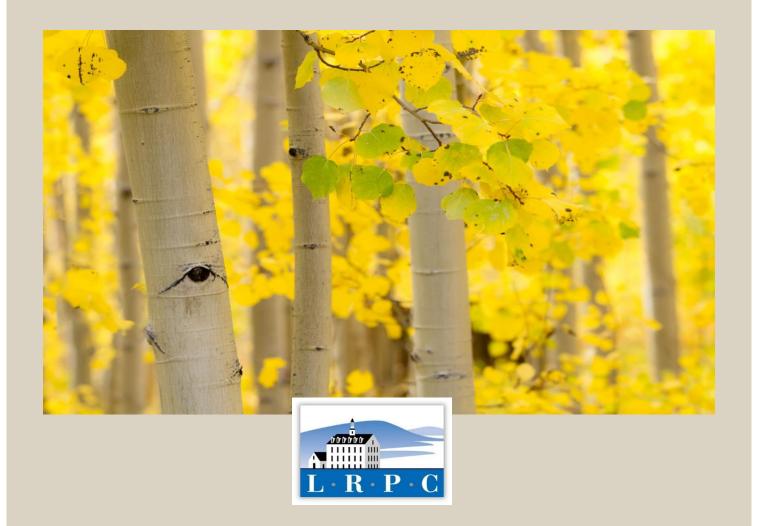


Justin Rosamilio is the Planning and Land Use Manager for InvestNH, the affordable housing initiative of NH Department of Business & Economic Affairs. In this role, he works with municipal planners and housing developers to expand affordable housing across the state. Prior to joining BEA, Justin was a Realtor® specializing in residential home sales, new construction, and land development.



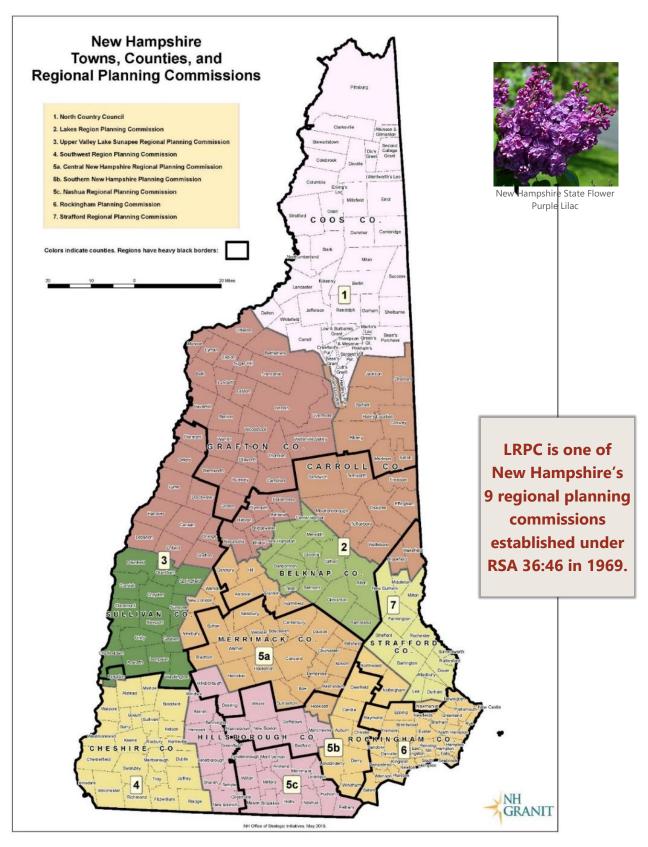
Steve Fortier is the Administrator of Rural Economic Development at NH Department of Business & Economic Affairs. In this role, Steve supports economic development initiatives in the six rural counties of NH—including Belknap, Carroll, and Grafton—through the Collaborative Economic Development Regions (CEDRs) and as State Program Manager for Northern Border Regional Commission. Steve is a native of Lakeport.

Informational Material



Lakes Region Planning Commission

Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Report



NH Office of Strategic Initiatives, May 2018



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Plan Regionally. Grow Locally.

A Message from the Executive Director



Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2022

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

Fiscal Year 2022 proved to be a year of renewal and capacity building for the Lakes Region Planning Commission. The pandemic hit our operations hard, making it difficult to hold in person meetings and achieve quorums. Our staff strived to become proficient with new software which allowed online work and new remote meeting strategies, but some staff retired or moved on. However, our operations rebounded greatly in fiscal year 2022. LRPC hired three new key positions. Linda Waldron is our new Administrative Assistant, and has been providing exceptional service to our organization from direct membership and commissioner services to maintaining an organized and pleasant office environment for staff.

LRPC advertised, but was not able to fill its full-time Principal Planner position, so instead invested in a new Senior Transportation Planner position which is being filled by Sean Chamberlin. As a recent graduate from UNH in civil engineering. Sean is providing outstanding transportation planning services to our member communities.

Another staff transition occurred in our Solid Waste Management program. Paige Wilson, our star intern turned full-time planner from PSU, was offered a great new promotion opportunity with the Department of Environmental Services and, of course, we supported her career move. However, that left us with a large hole to fill. Luckily, we were able to hire Matt Rose, who has a great background, to work with our communities on a range of issues surrounding solid waste management.

In addition to staff capacity, we updated many of our organizational systems. We invested in a new computer network replacing our seven year old server. We also now have a new high speed internet connection through a fiber optic provider, allowing us to move our phone and video conferencing system onto a voice over internet protocol (VoIP) system.

The real capstone to Fiscal Year 2022 was our long anticipated 55th annual meeting celebration. We honored the hundreds of commissioners who dedicated their time and efforts to improving their communities while simultaneously being committed to a healthy and prosperous Lakes Region. Many community awards were made, and our long-term Commissioner and Executive Board member John Cotton was honored.

Thank you for your support of our organization which bolsters regional thinking and is always looking ahead towards the future. Stay well.

Jeffrey Hayes, MRP Executive Director



Our Region

Who We Are

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is a voluntary association of local communities that pools its resources to obtain a highly trained, professional staff to provide a wide variety of services. An Executive Board, together with the Commissioners, governs the LRPC. Operations are overseen by an Executive Director and implemented by professional planners, specialists, and support staff. LRPC recognizes that the foundation of regional decision-making lies within local communities.

Mission

Our mission is to provide effective planning in order to achieve and sustain a quality environment, a dynamic economy, and local cultural values by supporting community efforts through leadership, education, technical assistance, information, advocacy, coordination, and responsive representation.

Municipalities

Alton* Hill

Alexandria **Holderness**

Andover Laconia **Ashland** Meredith

Barnstead Moultonborough

Belmont **New Hampton**

Bridgewater Northfield

Bristol Ossipee Center Harbor

Plymouth Danbury Sanbornton

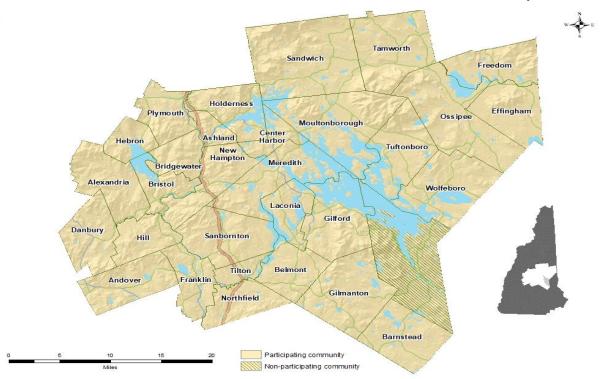
Effingham Sandwich Franklin **Tamworth**

Freedom Tilton

Gilford **Tuftonboro** Gilmanton Wolfeboro

Hebron

*Alton is currently a non-member





Commissioners & Executive Board

FY22 COMMISSIONERS

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Regional Highlights & Accomplishments

Development of Regional Impact (DRI)

We performed four (4) DRI reviews, pursuant to NH RSA 36:54, for the planning and/or zoning boards of Effingham, Laconia, Moultonborough, and Northfield.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

We coordinated our 36th annual HHW collection days for the region during the Summer of 2022. This event was widely promoted and resulted in the removal of nearly 27 tons of hazardous waste preventing possible groundwater contamination, negative effects on human health, and mitigating potential illegal dumping and disposal throughout the Lakes Region.

Total Regional Savings: Priceless

Intergovernmental Review Process (IRP)

The LRPC continues to monitor and review project notices under the New Hampshire Intergovernmental Review Agreement, a process that requires public notification to the regional planning commissions of all projects in the region intended to receive federal financial support.

Total Reviews Completed: 12 Project Totals: \$47,918,901.30

Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP)

In December 2021, \$4.7 million in matching grants were awarded by the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program supporting over 40 historic preservation and land conservation projects in 27 towns and cities throughout New Hampshire. LRPC's Principal Planner served on the Board of Directors. Regional projects were funded in the Town of Andover (Andover Town Hall & Potter Place Railroad Station), Town of Belmont (Gale School), City of Franklin (Franklin Congregational Christian Church), Town of Gilmanton (Old Town Hall), Town of New Hampton (Huckins Farm), and Town of Wolfeboro (Whiteface Access Lot Acquisition).

Projects Funded: 7 Project Totals: \$784,395.00

Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC)

We provided administrative and technical support to the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC), a state-chartered advisory committee under the NHDES Rivers Management and Protection Program. In FY22, we successfully applied for corridor management plan update funding. We expect to complete the update by the end of FY23. The Pemi River runs for 65 miles through 9 member communities, ending in Franklin to converge with the Winnipesaukee River, forming the 117-mile-long Merrimack River.

Total Communities Served: 9

Economic Development Assistance Accomplishments

Provided grant writing and grant administration assistance to several successful Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) projects as the designated local development district for our region including Bristol's fiber optics infrastructure, Laconia's Belknap Mill conference/meeting space restoration, and NH Tech School hospitality/tourism infrastructure improvements. Served Belknap, Carroll, and Grafton counties in providing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Microenterprise and special COVID assistance to economic development corporations serving the region. Successfully de-obligated a \$1 million NBRC Grant award to the former State School property in Laconia given recent changes in State law on disposing of State surplus property.



Regional Highlights & Accomplishments

Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)

Contracted with Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) to address RSA requirements that regional planning commissions complete a housing needs assessment every 5 years. Completed template for statewide housing needs and a toolbox to help communities implement their housing goals. Reviewed and analyzed over 80 datasets on regional and statewide housing conditions. Received public input from hundreds of individuals and businesses through a series of surveys. Scheduled to deliver complete assessment in December 2022 to full Commission for adoption consideration. We developed new population projections for our counties and towns working with other regional planning commissions and state agencies.

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

The Transportation Advisory Committee prioritized over \$6.1 million in regional projects for the State Ten Year Transportation Plan.

Solid Waste Management Accomplishments

Held over 6 roundtable discussions with solid waste operators on a variety of topics including educating area youth on composting and solid waste management techniques at Plymouth State University's Earth Day event. Helped reduce critical waste stream from Winnipesaukee islands by supporting composting and other waste stream reduction efforts at several camps in Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro. Conducted dozens of transfer station site visits to share and collect information on regional best practices and solid waste management. Piloted new battery disposal collection effort saving town's hundreds of dollars. Researched new and improved Veteran-owned non-profit which recycles clothing and works with statewide groups to distribute some clothing locally. Researched all relevant Lakes Region Home Depot and Lowes locations that contain free drop off locations for universal waste including rechargeable batteries, CFL lightbulbs, and plastic bags.

Capacity Building

The LRPC hired a Senior Transportation Planner, Solid Waste Planner, and a fulltime Administrative Assistant. We installed a new computer network replacing a 7 year old system, a new VOIP phone system, and a high speed internet connection to improve work performance and data preservation. A new lease was signed on the Humiston Building in downtown Meredith. Staff participated in over 20 training programs. Two staff members offered their expertise statewide by contributing to the NH Municipal Association's *New Hampshire Town and City* magazine on the topics of regional housing and sidewalk planning.

Land Use Books Regional Purchase

We handled the regional bulk purchase and delivery of the annual edition of the *New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulations* books. 29 out of 30 member communities ordered the books at a savings of \$89.00 per book and \$81.50 per book with supplemental e-book.

Total Regional Savings: \$33,180



Local Highlights

FY22 Local Contracted Projects Included:

Bridgewater Homeland Security & Emergency

Management Plan

Bristol Master Plan Development

Center Harbor Circuit Rider for Town Planner

Services

Hebron Road Surface Management System

Northfield Circuit Rider for Town Planner

Services

Plymouth Circuit Rider for Town Planner

Services

Road Surface Management System

Culverts and Closed Drainage

Systems

Tilton Homeland Security & Emergency

Management Plan

Tuftonboro Homeland Security & Emergency

Management Plan



Hebron RSMS - Rutting on Bear Mountain Road





Plymouth - Culvert

Plymouth - Stormwater Drain

Member Services we provide include:

Circuit Rider Assistance

Master Plans

Capital Improvement Plans

Hazard Mitigation Plans

Zoning & Site Plan Regulations

Culvert Inventory & Assessment

Road Surface Management System (RSMS)

GIS Mapping



Economic Development

Grant Administration

Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC)
State Economic & Infrastructure Development Investment Program

The Lakes Region Planning Commission provided grant administration assistance to two member communities (3 projects) that had been awarded NBRC economic infrastructure grants.

Bristol - Town fiber optics infrastructure: The Town of Bristol received funding to construct a 3-mile, middle mile fiber-optic cable network. Its goal was to create economic growth by providing a high-speed, voice and video latency compliant, internet network and backhaul for cellular and wireless needs for businesses, residents, and municipal offices. This project closed on 9/30/2021.





• Laconia – Belknap Mill Conference/Meeting Space Restoration: This project involved the renovation/restoration of the interior of the Belknap Mill which helped stabilize the historic structure and enabled continued and increased educational programming and job creation/retention. This project closed on 9/30/2021.







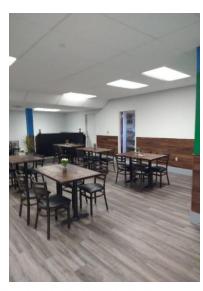
Economic Development

Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) State Economic & Infrastructure Development Investment Program - cont.

• Laconia - NH Tech School Hospitality/Tourism Infrastructure Improvements: Renovation of 4,685 sq. ft. of space to create two teaching laboratories and a dining room facility was provided to expand oncampus educational and training opportunities for those interested in entering the hospitality and tourism industries. This project closed on 9/30/2021.







Laconia – WOW Trail/Opechee Loop: The LRPC also assisted the City of Laconia in applying for and obtaining a NBRC award for the extending the existing multi-use WOW bike trail in Laconia, which is a portion of the "Opechee Loop". The WOW trail connects Laconia and the Weirs along a scenic route, allowing a connection that avoids growing vehicle traffic on the road. Grant Amount: \$225,000; Total Project Amount: \$450,000.



Courtesy of: wowtrail.org



Economic Development

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

The Lakes Region Planning Commission provided grant writing and administration services to three community development projects as follows:

• Town of Wolfeboro – Global Action Local Awareness (GALA): The Town of Wolfeboro received a CDBG award which was sub-granted to the non-profit group GALA (name recently changed to Makers Mill) for the renovation of a building located at 23 Bay Street in Wolfeboro to establish a Makers Mill/Makerspace & Vacation Hub. This building will assist individuals or emerging businesses to come together to garner and share their various skills, tools, and technologies with others in the community. This project closed on 12/30/2021.





- Grafton County Microenterprise Technical Assistance Award: The microenterprise program helped foster economic development by supporting organizations that provide a full range of entrepreneurial training and technical assistance services to low- and moderate-income microbusiness owners and start-ups (those with fewer than 5 employees). This project was awarded to Grafton County who contracted with 3 subagencies to assist with this task. The first agency was the Belknap Regional Development Council (who also partnered with Grafton Regional Development Commission (GRDC), Coos Economic Development Council (CEDC), and Wentworth Economic Development Council (WEDC)). The other two agencies were Northern Community Investment Council and Women's Rural Entrepreneurial Network (WREN). This project closed on 6/30/2022.
- Grafton County Microenterprise Technical Assistance COVID-19 Project: This COVID microenterprise
 assistance grant supported qualifying microenterprises adversely impacted by COVID-19. Business
 owners who qualified received assistance in the form of equipment grants coverage for operating
 expenses. This project closed on 12/31/2021.



Household Hazardous Waste

Summer 2022 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days

The LRPC coordinated the regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days for the 36th consecutive year which was held in Belmont, Franklin, Gilford, and Meredith the last Saturday in July and in Bristol, Laconia, Moultonborough, and Ossipee the first Saturday in August with 24 communities participating in this event.

65 workers and volunteers contributed more than 350 hours to the program this year.

A total of 1,697 vehicles/households were guided through the eight collection sites during this municipal and community event. This resulted in 53,515 pounds (nearly 27 tons) of hazardous waste being collected and properly disposed of including various types of universal waste such as 17,696 feet (or 3.3 miles) of fluorescent tubing and 937 compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs).

The LRPC partnered with the Loon Preservation Committee to collect illegal lead fishing tackle at this year's event. Lead poisoning from ingested lead fishing tackle is the leading known cause of adult loon mortality in New Hampshire.

Total HHW Appropriations: \$102,999 from 25 municipalities.

Collection dates for 2023 are currently scheduled to be Saturday, July 29th and August 5th.

For more information on this program, participating municipalities, maps to the sites, accepted and unaccepted items, as well as alternative disposal options, please visit us at www.lakesrpc.org.





Coordinator Barry Weeks (Meredith) checks for universal waste



Greeting participants and conducting surveys (Meredith).



Solid Waste Management

USDA Solid Waste Management Grant Highlights and Accomplishments FY 2022-23

Project Summary: The primary purposes of the Lakes Region Planning Commission's (LRPC) Solid Waste Management (SWM) project are to provide technical assistance and training to solid waste operators in order

- Reduce the quantity and toxicity of our solid waste stream
- Increase community awareness about local waste management challenges
- Lower costs associated with solid waste management
- Create more sustainable, resilient communities
- Promote safety for Solid Waste Operators/residents entering our transfer stations.

This project took a multi-pronged approach to providing education, hands-on technical assistance, and training to Solid Waste Operators (SWO), community leaders, town committees, local businesses, and residents in New Hampshire's Lakes Region which will, in turn:

- Reduce the quantity of organics, bulk waste, hazardous materials, and recyclables entering the municipal solid waste stream
- Improve the cost-effectiveness of waste disposal and recycling for municipalities as a result in reduced waste volumes
- Provide more comprehensive data for local, regional, and state use
- Increase opportunities for regionalization of waste contracts and large purchases
- Increase the efficiency of solid waste facilities by implementing best practices on-site and developing infrastructure
- Protect the Lakes Region's water quality (the region contains 40% of New Hampshire's surface waters)
- Increase of innovative tactics for reducing complex materials from our waste stream.

Experienced LRPC staff managed the grant, directed the activities, and spearheaded the project tasks. Experts from NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) and regional solid waste organizations may be utilized when applicable.

Activities/outcomes from this project have included:

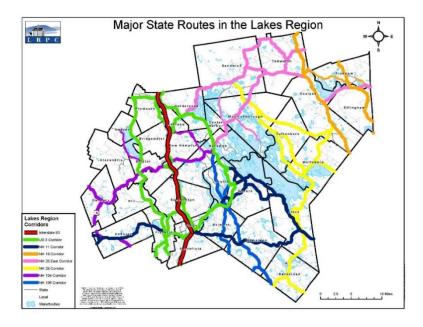
- 1. Public problem-solving/information sessions, online webinars, hands-on workshops, and demonstrations to promote discussions about waste challenges and brainstorm creative solutions and visions for the region.
- 2. Expanding current efforts to reduce and divert food waste by working with municipalities, citizen groups, and community stakeholders to implement more composting programs and waste reduction practices.
- 3. Collecting, synthesizing, and visualizing regional solid waste data to identify trends and help communities make better disposal decisions. Maps, visuals, and written reports will be shared and used to better communicate solid waste topics with SWO, community leaders, and the
- 4. Researching and sharing best practices for recycling methods and site design at solid waste facilities in the region. This includes stormwater management/mitigation.
- 5. Researching sources of emerging contaminants including perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS/PFOAS) substances and increasing local awareness about the associated health risks.
- 6. Building local awareness about the economic, environmental, and social impacts of our waste stream among SWO, residents, municipal officials (selectboards, planning boards, conservation commissions, etc.), schools, and local businesses through educational materials, interactive workshops, and discussions. This will, in part, be accomplished by working with local water advisory groups to communicate pollution impacts on our waterways and wildlife.
- 7. Organizing our annual 2-day regional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections to protect water resources from risks of illegal dumping of hazardous materials. Promoting the event to increase participation with our target audience.
- 8. Providing technical assistance to municipalities or other public, eligible entities to apply for loan and/or grant funding to develop solid waste infrastructure/recycling capacity and encourage regional cooperative efforts among municipalities.
- 9. Extending public outreach impacts using social media, local news outlets (newspapers, public TV, radio), and the LRPC website. The Lakes Region Planning Commission will capitalize on its 30 years of leading regional HHW collections and extensive knowledge of solid waste practices from previous grant work.





Regional Transportation Plan

- The LRPC is in the process of updating the Long-Range Transportation Plan.
- The plan examines current and past regional conditions and integrates the considerations of the environment and natural resources, economics, demographics, land use, and infrastructure to develop a plan that looks over Lakes Region Transportation needs over 10 years into the future.
- Developed new corridor-based analysis approach to regional transportation plan update. Each corridor section includes community demographics, crash roadway conditions, current projects and project recommendations, bicycle pedestrian, freight, rail, air, and more.





Ten Year Plan (TYP) Funding and Project Prioritization

TYP 2023 - 2032:

- Laconia Elm Street sidewalk and path
- Laconia Weirs Boulevard bridge replacement
- Meredith NH Route 25 intersection improvements at Laker Lane, True Road, Quarry Road, and Patrician Shores
- Plymouth NH Route 25 Tenney Mountain Highway intersection improvements at Smith Bridge Road

TYP 2025 - 2034:

- Regional Allocation \$5.1 million (based on population and number of lane miles)
- Fiscally constrained highway segments and intersections
- Bicycle and pedestrian improvements









Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

- Vision and Goals for Bikeable and Walkable Region-Goals and Accomplishments
- Bicycling and Pedestrian Projects (Existing and Desired)
- Conducted a Bike-Ped Trends and Public Input Survey with 633 surveys completed
- **Regional Planning Recommendations**
- State Bike-Ped Plan LRPC reviewed and provided comments in March 2022



Streetscaping and Sidewalk Planning

Designed for all roadway users, whether they are driving, riding, walking, or rolling (wheelchair, stroller).

Elements of a streetscape are:

- sidewalks
- planters
- lighting

- curb extensions
- seating
- bike parking
- landscaped buffers
- public art

The overall goal of the project is to improve design character and safety of the street, boost economic development, and promote social activity.

LRPC Streetscaping Project – Technical Assistance:

- provided information on streetscaping concepts
- offered sidewalk assessments and mapping
- met with Town Officials to discuss potential projects
- provided information on potential funding sources



Transportation and Land Use

LRPC has provided planning and zoning assistance for transportation and streetscaping.

Mixed Use Zoning

- blends housing, offices, retail, entertainment, institutions, services, and restaurants
- pedestrian-friendly

Form-Based Codes

- development pattern similar to what exists
- relationship between buildings and the public realm (streets, sidewalks, etc.), and the form and mass of buildings in relation to one another











Data Collection & SADES Programs

- **Municipal Traffic Counts**
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Counts
- **Turning Movement Counts**
- SADES (Statewide Asset Data Exchange System)
 - Road Surface Management System (RSMS) pavement assessment, forecasting, and budgeting
 - Culvert & Closed Drainage Structure (CCDS) inventory along with basic structural measurement & assessment https://nhsades.maps.arcgis.com/home/index.html
 - Stream Assessment inventory and detailed assessment of permanent stream crossings structure and landscape with full Geofluvial and aquatic organism passage analysis
 - Guardrail Inventory inventory, assessment, and mapping of guardrails
 - Sidewalk Assessment inventory, assessment, and mapping of sidewalks



Traditional Transportation Funding Assistance Provided

- TYP (Ten Year Plan Funding)
- TAP (Transportation Alternatives)
- CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality)
- HSIP (Highway Safety Improvement Program)



Alternative Transportation Funding Assistance Provided

- Northern Borders Regional Commission (NBRC)
- USDA CF (US Department of Agriculture Community Facilities)
- BIL (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law)

The US Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have a variety of competitive grant programs used to fund various types of transportation projects and activities. These programs can be matched with potential applicants for matching funds. It provides \$550 billion in new Federal investment in infrastructure including roads, bridges, and mass transit, water infrastructure, resilience, and broadband.



Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

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Rick Ball, James Goodwin, Joanne Haight, Sheldon Morgan, Paul Perkins, Brian Sullivan, Johnny Van Tassel



Commissioner Meeting Summary

SEPTEMBER 2021 – The Impacts of Wake Boats



The first Commissioner Meeting of the fiscal year was held on September 27th at the Meredith Community Center. Guest speakers Michelle Davis of NH Lakes and State Representative Suzanne Smith, State Wake Boat Study Commission Chair gave a joint update on the positive and negative aspects of wake boats. Steve Wingate, Tuftonboro Conservation Commission/LRPC Commissioner also spoke describing a 2021 Boat Wake Study he was involved in as a citizen volunteer. FY22 budget and FY23 membership dues appropriations were approved as presented.

OCTOBER 2021 – NHDES Statewide Recycling Efforts

October's Commissioner Meeting was held at the Moultonborough Public Library on October 25th. The topic for this meeting was Updates of Recycling Markets and NH's Solid Waste Legislation. LRPC's Paige Wilson, Solid Waste Planner and Assistant Grants Administrator provided an overview of LRPC's Solid Waste Management Program and introduced guest speaker Michael Nork of the NH Department of Environmental Services and Heather Herring of Northeast Resource Recovery Association. Mr. Nork's presentation focused primarily on updates regarding recent solid waste legislation while Ms. Herring described her organization as being the facilitator bringing together municipalities selling recyclables and the companies who purchase them. She gave an update of current recycling markets and trends.



Paige Wilson



Michael Nork, NH DES



Heather Herring, NRRA

MARCH 2022 – Regional Transportation Plan

March 28th's Commissioner Meeting held at the Plymouth Town Hall focused on updates to the Lakes Region Transportation Program. Updates were provided on the Regional Transportation Plan including corridors, walking, bicycle and pedestrian plan surveys, streetscaping & sidewalk planning, sidewalk assessments, alternative funding sources, and the ten-year plan.

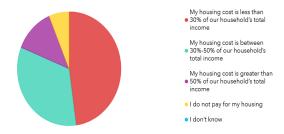




Commissioner Meeting Summary

APRIL 2022 – Regional Housing Needs

Commissioner Meeting of April 25th at the Tuftonboro Free Library centered around Lakes Region Housing Needs Assessment updates. LRPC's Dave Jeffers gave a presentation highlighting some preliminary results of the surveys that are being circulated, noting that this project will also meet the requirements of RSA 36 which requires RPCs to complete regional housing needs assessments approximately every 5 years.



In addition to our own surveys, we are also working with other RPCs and agencies doing research and data gathering with an eye towards formulating a 'toolkit' of strategies which can be adopted by our cities/towns to assist them in their attempts to resolve housing needs in their communities.

MAY 2022 - Keeping Hazardous Waste in Check

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program Overview & Impact was the topic of the May 23rd Commissioner Meeting at the Gilford Public Library. Identifying various types of household hazardous waste and disposal options, including utilization of the LRPC's annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days, was presented by Dave Jeffers, Regional Planner. Current funding for these efforts is provided by municipal appropriations and competitive grants, as well as donations. It was noted that the Lakes Region generates approximately 500,000 pounds of HHW per year, but only around 64,000 – 86,000 pounds is collected. A recent addition to our staff, Solid Waste Planner Matt Rose spoke about how, working within a grant, he has purchased a medical sharps informational pamphlet and some sharps clips which hold 1,500 needle points allowing for proper disposal and plans on undertaking outreach efforts to promote this method of disposal during the HHW collection days as well as visiting various sites to talk to residents and provide them with handouts.





Commissioner Meeting Summary

JUNE 2022 - Franklin Whitewater Park

The Commissioner Meeting for June was held in conjunction with our 55th Anniversary Kickoff Celebration on the 29th. Approximately 115 municipal, regional, and political guests and friends joined the LRPC Commissioners, Executive Board, and staff for this celebration. Guest speaker Marty Parichand, Executive Director of Mill City Park, highlighted the renovations and achievements resulting in reinvigorating the City of Franklin. The LRPC presented 5 Awards of Excellence, 3 Community Service Awards, 8 Household Hazardous Waste Awards, as well as a special award to our Household Hazardous Waste Coordinator, Dave Jeffers. By-Law changes and amendments were on the agenda and after a motion to accept the changes as drafted, and a motion to second, via a show of hands, the motion was carried with no opposition. Additionally, an election of Officers and Executive Board members for FY23 was held. After the ballots were tallied, the results were unanimous to accept the ballot as presented.









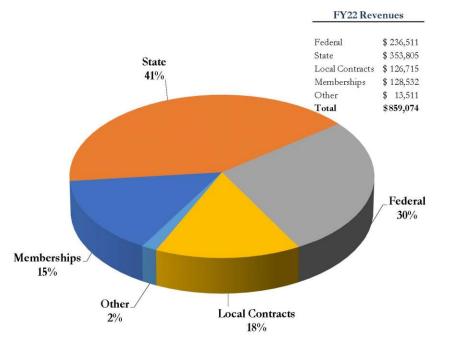




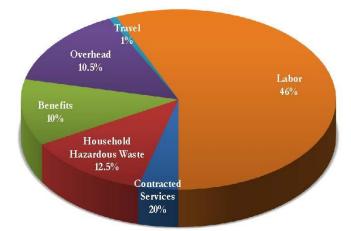


FY22 Budget Summary

The FY22 audit was presented to the Executive Board by the independent audit firm of Hennessey & Vallee, PLLC on September 14, 2022. The charts below show the distribution of actual revenue and expenses from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 while the following page depicts revenue by program.



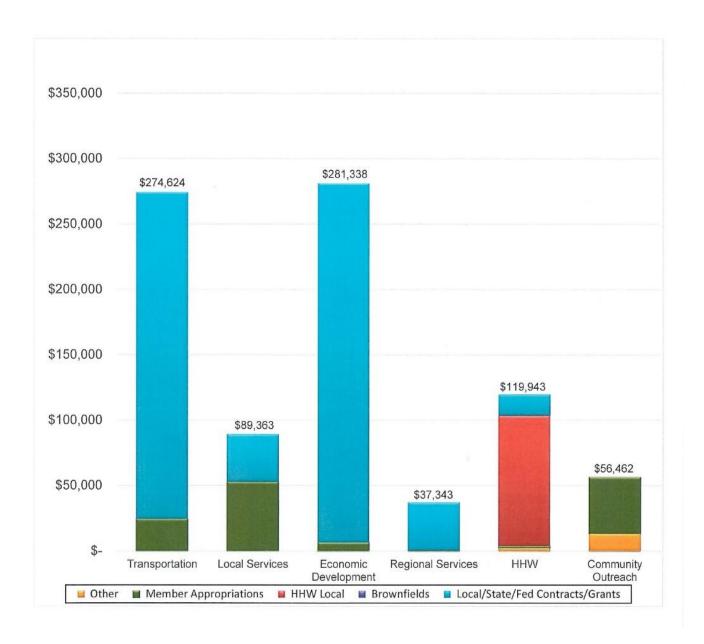
FY22 Expenses			
Contracted Services	\$ 33,657		
Household Hazardous	\$102,247		
Benefits	\$ 97,605		
Overhead	\$115,438		
Travel	\$ 6,489		
Labor	\$460,777		
Total	\$816,213		





FY22 Budget Summary

FY22 Revenue by Program





Annual Audit Letter

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To the Board of Commissioners Lakes Region Planning Commission

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Lakes Region Planning Commission, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of Lakes Region Planning Commission, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Commission, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or exercise.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditors' Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements, as a whole, are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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Annual Audit Letter

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3-6 and the Schedule of Pension Liabilities and Contributions on pages 23 and 24 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statement. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 7, 2022, on our consideration of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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FY22 Staff Training

FEMA Training Webinar: Flood Maps for the Winnipesaukee Basin

Pavement Presentation Webinar through T2

Road Maintenance 101

ESRI Online Tutorials on Survey 123, Story Maps, and Arc Business Analyst

New England States VPI Workshop

CNHRPC Commute Smart Training Webinar

Taking a Look at the New 2020 Census Data for New Hampshire

Communities Webinar

Grant Writing Webinar through EPA

NHDES Webinar: "Ticked Off"

NHDES Conference: Drinking Source Protection USDA Roundtable: Exploring Food Waste Solutions

NHDES SWO Training: Full Cost Accounting

NHMA ARPA: Roundtable discussions for Belknap & Carroll County

FEMA BCA Training

WEP FY22 Civil Rights Training

EV Charging 101 Webinar hosted by Drive Electric NH

New England States VPI Workshop

USDOT Webinar: How to Apply for the FY22 Multimodal Project

Discretionary Grant Opportunity

USDOT Webinar: Reconnecting Communities . . . and more



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FY23 Meeting Calendar*

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023



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January – June 2023					
Executive Board	March 8, 2023	Wednesday	9–11 AM	LRPC, 1 st Fl Conf Rm	FY24 Budget Proposal Open Board Positions SB47 – Commission to Study Barriers to Increased Density of Residential Development in NH
COMMISSION	MARCH 27, 2023	MONDAY	6–8 PM	Hobbs Tavern West Ossipee	Regional Housing Needs Assessment Review (Dave and Christine) BEA Presentation (Northern Border & InvestNH)
Executive Board	April 12, 2023	Wednesday	9–11 AM	LRPC, 1 st Fl Conf Rm	
COMMISSION	APRIL 24, 2023	MONDAY	6–8 PM	Meredith Library	NH Digital Equity Plan Broadband Mapping (Dr. Robert McLaughlin, Executive Director and Carol Miller, Director of Broadband Initiatives National Collaborative for Digital Equity)
Executive Board	May 10, 2023	Wednesday	9–11 AM	LRPC, 1 st Fl Conf Rm	
COMMISSION	MAY 22, 2023	MONDAY	6–8 PM	Lake Opechee Inn Laconia	Transportation Planning Update (Sean & Ryan) Solid Waste and HHW Collection Days (Dave & Matt)
Executive Board	June 14, 2023	Wednesday	9–11 AM	LRPC, 1st Fl Conf Rm	
ANNUAL MEETING	June 26, 2023	Monday	4:30–8 PM tentative start time	Church Landing at Mill Falls Meredith	Renewable Energy Panel Annual Meeting • Dinner & Awards

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Newsworthy Items

Town of Northfield Town Administrator, Ken Robichaud, Receives NHMA's Russ Marcoux Municipal Advocate of the Year Award

ach year, the Russ Marcoux Municipal Advocate of the Year award is given by NHMA staff to a municipal member based on their interactions with officials during the legislative session. NHMA established this award in 2011 to recognize an elected or appointed local official for his or her non-partisan contributions toward the advancement of NHMA's legislative policy goals and for the advocacy of municipal interests generally.

In 2011, NHMA staff selected Russ Marcoux, Town Manager in Bedford, as the first-ever recipient of the Municipal Advocate of the Year award because Russ did all the things NHMA wants members to do in support of its legislative policy and to enhance the success of its legislative agenda. Russ passed away just days before the 2011 Annual Conference and he never knew NHMA had created such an award or that he had been selected the first recipient. In his honor, the award was renamed the Russ Marcoux Municipal Advocate of the Year award.

At its annual conference last week in Manchester, NHMA recognized Ken Robichaud, Town Administrator in the Town of Northfield, with its 2022 Russ Marcoux Municipal Advocate of the Year award.



(Northfield's Town Administrator, Ken Robichaud, accepts the 2022 Russ Marcoux award from NHMA's Executive Director, Margaret Byrnes (right) and Government Affairs Counsel, Natch Greyes (left).

In his presentation remarks, NHMA Government Affairs Counsel Natch Greyes recognized Robichaud for always being there for NHMA. Greyes noted that NHMA "is very fortunate to have a great network of members who work closely with our Government Affairs team which brought us legislative success last session." But there is usually one or two members who go "above and beyond" this call of service to help out the team in many different ways. Whenever Greyes would call Robichaud to help, Ken would always go "above and beyond" in his efforts. "Of course I'll help, said Robichaud, "Let me call the committee chair now and count me in to testify on the bill. And I know of someone else who should also testify on this bill and I will make sure he is there to testify with me." Whether testimony at a legislative hearing, a phone call to his legislator(s), or help during the committee of conference process, Ken was always there for NHMA," said Greyes.

Congratulations, Ken, for your well-deserved recognition and for all your hard work during the most recent legislative session.

Past recipients of this recognition are:

- 2011 Russell R. Marcoux, Town Manager, Town of Bedford
- 2012 James Michaud, Assessor, Town of Hudson
- 2013 Don MacIsaac, Selectman, Town of Jaffrey
- 2014 Julia N. Griffin, Town Manager, Town of Hanover
- 2015 Shaun Mulholland, Town Administrator, Town of Allenstown
- 2016 Portsmouth City Council, City of Portsmouth
- 2017 Bill Herman, Town Administrator, Town of Auburn
- 2018 Mark A. Bender, Town Administrator, Town of Milford
- 2019 Christopher Boldt, Selectman, Town of Sandwich
- 2020 No award given
- 2021 Mayors of New Hampshire's 13 Cities

Charles F. Smith, Moultonborough town administrator, credentialed by international local government management organization

MOULTONBOROUGH

Charles F. Smith, MPA, town administrator of Moultonborough, recently received the Credentialed Manager designation from the International City/County Management Association. Smith is one of over 1,300 local government management professionals currently credentialed through the ICMA Voluntary Credentialing Program.

ICMA's mission is to advance professional local government through leadership, management, innovation, and ethics and by increasing the proficiency of appointed chief administrative officers, assistant administrators, and other employees who serve local governments and regional entities around the world. The organization's 13,000 members in 27 countries also include educators, students, and other local government employees.

To receive the prestigious ICMA credential, a member must have significant experience as a senior management executive in local government; have earned a degree, preferably in public administration

or a related field; and demonstrated a commitment to high standards of integrity and to lifelong learning and professional development.

Smith is qualified by having over seven years of professional local government executive experience. Prior to his appointment in 2021 as town administrator of Moultonborough, he served as the town administrator of Sanbornton, and town manager in Ashland.

Highlights of Smith's ICMA membership include being on ICMA's Annual Conference Planning Committee.

Charles F. Smith has also made significant contributions to other organizations, including membership since 2015 with the Municipal Management Association of New Hampshire and volunteering for his local community and nonprofit organizations.

For more information regarding the ICMA Voluntary Credentialing Program, contact Jenese Jackson at ICMA, 777 North Capitol Street, N.E., #500, Washington, D.C. 20002-4201; jjackson@icma.org; 202-962-3556.

The Loft at Hermit Woods to offer an evening with Anna May on February 2

MEREDITH — Anna May will perform at The Loft at Hermit Woods on Thursday, Feb. 2.

May's music has everything from tones of jazz to fresh interpretations of classic folk music.

She has performed at venues including the Wildflower Arts & Music Restival, the Boston Arts Festival, Treefort Music Festival, Folk Alliance Interna-

tional, Conor Byrne in Seattle, Crying Wolf in Nashville, Bar Redux in New Orleans and The Mint in Los Angeles.

A complimentary wine tasting is offered before the show at 5:30 p.m. The show begins at 6 p.m. with pianist David Lockwood.

Hermit Woods Winery and Eatery is at 72 Main St. For tickets, visit hermitwoods.com/the-loft.

Sister Hazel to headline at The Flying Monkey

PLYMOUTH — Platinum-selling, iconic country/rock band Sister Hazel will be bringing their energetic show featuring new music and chart-topping hits to play The Flying Monkey in Plymouth on Friday, Feb. 10.

Fans can expect a high-energy show with some brand-new Sister Hazel songs as well as popular fan favorites. Doors open at 6 p.m. For additional information visit flyingmonkeynh. com/events/sister-hazel.

This event date is subject to state and local government guidelines for helping the community stay safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information on Sister Hazel, visit sisterhazel.com.

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