



AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES
of Vermont

ACEC of VT
Board of Directors Meeting Notes
October 26, 2022
by Teams Virtual Meeting

Directors Attending:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brian Beaudoin, <i>Sanborn Head</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patricia Shedd, <i>F&O</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ken Robie, <i>D&K</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Craig Jewett, <i>Otter Creek</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dale Gozalkowski, <i>CHA</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Booth, <i>Aldrich & Elliott</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jon Olin, <i>HTA (partial)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Aaron Guyette, <i>VHB</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Goyette, <i>Stantec</i> | |

Others Attending:

- Brendan Cosgrove, *ACEC of VT Executive Director*

Monthly Meeting:

1. Call to Order

- President Brian Beaudoin called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.
- Quorum was achieved.

2. Meeting Notes

- Greg G motioned to approve the September 28, 2022 Meeting Notes; Craig J seconded. Meeting Summary approved.

3. Financial Update

Brendan C provided the following update:

- \$14,004 bank balance as of 10/26/2022

4. Event Schedule

- Environmental Workshop – November 15, 2022
 - \$4,300 out of goal \$7,000 raised for the Environmental Workshop. Goal to boost attendance. 3 weeks remaining – appear to be in good shape.
 - Dale G asked about registration – in person vs virtual. Brendan C noted all registrations so far have been for in person.
- BGS Workshop
- EEA Awards Program
 - Nov 18th call for applications. Due by end of the month.
 - Consideration was given to following the ACEC National EEA timeline, but Greg G and Brendan C determined it would not work for ACECVT



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- Transportation Workshop – Patricia S
 - 1 abstract received.
 - Nothing in from VTrans yet.

5. Committee Updates

- Transportation

Jon O (Committee Chair) provided the following update:

- VT Buys discussion – preparing for next July transition – This applies to all business with the State of Vermont and will function for procurement, contracts, and invoicing.
- VTrans pushing some project start dates out – budgetary constraints with increased construction costs.
- BABA – VTrans has a NTB to incorporate. Waivers pending – ACEC National is involved and working on clarifications
- Dale G mentioned the ACEC National QBS study as a resource available for working with state procurement.

- Environmental

Craig J (Committee Chair) provided the following update:

- *Reference Environmental Workshop update*

- Buildings and General Services

Nick Hadiaris (Committee Chair) not present. Brendan C provided the following update:

- No Update

- Legislative

- No Update

- Membership

6. PAC update

Shawn Kelley (Committee Chair) – Not Present

7. Other

Jason B mentioned concerns he had with DigSafe not showing up and incorrectly marking underground hazards. He mentioned that they recently had a project where they almost hit underground high voltage which could have seriously injured or killed someone. Other Board members commented that they had similar experiences with DigSafe with some hiring underground locating companies to mark underground hazards. The group discussed the risk engineering firms are taking on by hiring locating firms instead of relying on DigSafe. Brendan is going to follow up with ACEC national to see if this issue has been discussed at the national level. It was agreed that it made sense to also reach out to AGC, VSPE, and to possibly write a letter to the PSB regarding concerns with DigSafe.



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8. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm.

Meeting Summary submitted by:

Jon Olin, P.E.

Secretary, ACEC of VT