



# **Green Mountain Transit Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes**

**January 16, 2024 – 7:30 a.m.**

**101 Queen City Road, Burlington VT 05401**

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*The mission of GMT is to promote and operate safe, convenient, accessible, innovative, and sustainable public transportation services in northwest and central Vermont that reduce congestion and pollution, encourage transit-oriented development, and enhance the quality of life for all.*

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## **Present:**

Commissioner Austin Davis, Winooski  
Commissioner Paul Bohne, Essex  
Alternate Commissioner Kyle Grenier, Grand Isle County  
Alternate Commissioner Chapin Kaynor, Williston  
Alternate Commissioner Will Anderson,  
Commissioner Bob Buermann, Grand Isle County  
Commissioner Susan Grasso, Shelburne  
Commissioner Tasha Wallis, Lamoille County  
Commissioner Phil Pouech, Hinesburg  
Commissioner Christian Meyer, Washington County  
Commissioner Dimitruk, Franklin County  
Alternate Commissioner Tom Derenthal, Burlington  
Commissioner Chapin Spencer, Burlington  
Commissioner Amy Brewer, Williston  
Commissioner Michael Scanlan, South Burlington  
Commissioner Henry Bonges, Milton  
Commissioner Andrea Suozzo, Burlington  
Clayton Clark, General Manager  
Jamie Smith, Director of Planning and Marketing  
Stephanie Reid, Director of Human Resources  
Jon Moore, Assistant General Manager  
Matt Kimball, Director of Grants and Project Development  
Chris Damiani, Senior Transit Planner  
Nick Foss, Director of Finance  
Tammy Masse, Controller  
Tim Bradshaw, Director of Rural Operations



Mike Bensel, Grants Manager  
Jim Moulton, TriValley Transit  
Dan Currier, VTrans

### **Open Meeting**

Chair Davis opened the meeting at 7:35AM.

### **Adjustment of the Agenda**

None

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Action: Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Buermann noted that representatives of Grand Isle County should be listed as representing the county and not Grand Isle.

Commissioner Dimitruk made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the edits presented, and Commissioner Suozzo seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Commissioner Wallis abstained from voting due to internet issues at the last meeting.

### **Action: Fiscal Year 2025 Budget**

Commissioner Dimitruk moved that the Board of Commissioners approve the FY25 Operating Budget totaling \$28,772,302, and Commissioner Grasso seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

### **Action: Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Budget Adjustment and Delegation of Authority**

Director Kimball gave an overview of the Capital budget adjustment.

Commissioner Scanlan made a motion to amend the FY24 capital budget to incorporate the changes outlined in the presentation and to delegate procurement approval authority to the GMT Board Chair and Board Treasurer for the lift



74 replacement project and remanufactured engine purchase. Commissioner Grasso  
75 seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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77 **Action: 2025 Unified Planning Work Program Grant Application**

78 Commissioner Dimitruk requested that ACT250 be specifically included in the  
79 Development Review Board section of the application.

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81 Commissioner Spencer made a motion to approve the FY25 Unified Planning Work  
82 Program application with Commissioner Dimitruk's edit. Commissioner Brewer  
83 seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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85 **Report: Ridership**

86 Chris Damiani gave a presentation highlighting ridership trends for the past 5 fiscal  
87 years.

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89 **Report: Grants**

90 Director Kimball gave a grants department overview focusing on the current status  
91 of GMT grants.

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93 **Discussion: Fundraising for Local Match – Jim Moulton, Executive Director of Tri-  
94 Valley Transit and President, of Vermont Public Transit Association**

95 Jim Moulton joined to discuss his experience with fundraising as Executive Director  
96 of TriValley Transit.

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98 **Information: Return to Fare Service**

99 GM Clark asked that this item be moved to a special board meeting at a later date.

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101 **Information: Committee Reports**

102 Committees gave an overview of their meetings.

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104 **Information: VTrans Update (if necessary)**

105 VTrans didn't have an update to share.

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107 **Information: General Manager's Report**

108 GM Clark gave a brief overview of the General Managers report.

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110 **Commissioner Comments**



111 Commissioner Brewer was thankful that the JEDI reflective questions were included  
112 in the outreach docs for fare resumption

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114 Commissioner Scanlan asked what Board Commissioners should tell municipalities  
115 about the fiscal cliff?

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117 **Adjourn**

118 Commissioner Spencer made a motion to adjourn, and Commissioner Dimitruk  
119 seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at  
120 9:40AM.