



## NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

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### **NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD MEETING** **TUESDAY, June 8, 2021** **11:00 am**

#### Board Members Present by Teams/Phone:

Diane B. Snelling, Chair, Steve Larrabee, Member, Don Turner, Member and Andrew Collier, Member

#### ABSENT

Brad Aldrich, Vice Chair

#### Staff Present by Microsoft Teams:

Gregory Boulbol, General Counsel, Kimberley Lashua, Business Director, Alison Stone, Associate General Counsel, Aaron Brondyke, State Coordinator, and Katie Emerson, Legal Technician

#### Members of the Public:

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel

The Vermont Natural Resources Board convened at 11:01 a.m. via Microsoft Teams, Chair Diane B. Snelling presiding.

#### **11:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions**

Mr. Greg Boulbol introduced Alison Stone, the Board's new Associate General Counsel. Alison recently came to us from the Office of Attorney General, where, among other things, she worked with the Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets.

#### **11:02 a.m. Opportunity for public to comment and agenda and non-agenda items.**

Chair Snelling offered the public the opportunity to comment. No comments were made.

#### **11:03 a.m. Review and action on Minutes of May 11, 2021**

A motion to approve the minutes of the Tuesday May 11, 2021, meeting was made by Mr. Don Turner and seconded by Mr. Andrew Collier and approved unanimously (Steve Larrabee abstained because he was not present at that meeting).



### **11:05 a.m. NRB office and budget updates**

Ms. Kimberley Lashua gave the office and budget update. We are conducting interviews for our Information Technician position this week. This position is included in the FY21 and FY22 budgets. We are unlikely to meet our Special Fund target (as expected). The Special Fund balance was just under \$1.3 million in May which is only half of the yearly goal. The proposed budget does include \$1 million to cover this Special Fund deficit.

### **11:07 a.m. Vermont Trails and Greenways Council Introduction**

Unfortunately, the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council had to cancel this morning. Chair Snelling will follow up with them.

### **11:08 a.m. Discussion regarding Act 250 legislative initiatives**

The Legislature will be coming back for a veto session, but they will be focused on the items the Governor vetoed. There was conversation about Act 250 in the Legislature this year, but no significant progress. There seems to be continued strong interest in the Legislature, and in the Governor's Office to take action on Act 250 during the 2022 Legislative session.

### **11:10 a.m. Adjourn**

At 11:10 a.m., Mr. Andrew Collier made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Steve Larrabee, and unanimously approved by the Board.