

Legislative Apportionment Board

Unapproved Meeting Minutes

Hybrid Meeting

Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 10:00 AM

Members Present:

Meeting at Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier - Tom Little, Chair, Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary of State

Meeting via Zoom – Board Members Rob Roper, Tom Koch, Ed Adrian, Jeanne Albert, Mary Houghton, Jeremy Hansen. Non-Board Members Eric Covey, Amerin Aborjaily and Michael Chernick

(Telephone Conference Call Participation Available)

1. Call to Order at 10:02 AM

2. Review and Approval of Minutes of May 27, 2021 Meetings. Approved with no changes. (Tom Koch / Jeremy Hansen)

3. Public Comment (per 1 V.S.A. sec. 312(h)) - No public comment.

4. Update on Recent Mapping Efforts and Resources - The Board discussed the possibility of getting further assistance for map creation. Possibilities include asking VCGI for more assistance (John Adams), utilizing Secretary of State (Mia Kro) or hiring a third party contractor. It was decided that Board members could continue to try maps on their own or could funnel their map requests through Tom to Mia to see how that goes as a first option. Ed Adrian suggested a dedicated cartographer and noted his struggles with Maptitude as a “clunky” product.

5. Updates, Comments on Prior Agenda Items -

Public Education and Outreach - Tom Little noted that the Second Op-Ed has gone out and a third mailing is in the works for BCA's through the town clerks and town officers mailing list.

Board Member Reports on Their Public Interactions - Members indicated very few contacts – one from Orange County and one about Chittenden Senate districts.

Jeanne Albert suggested creating a small survey for the public to give feedback. She and Rob Roper agreed to work on that.

6. Updates: Legislative Counsel, Vermont Center for Geographic Information, Secretary of State's Office - SoS Office asked for input on in-person versus hybrid meetings going forward for the Board. There was some discussion about the possibility of holding meetings around the state. Reminder information about Board member per diems and mileage reimbursement will be circulated.

7. Set Next Meeting Date; Other Business – Next meeting July 29 (tentative) **8. Adjourned** at 10:49 AM.