

2/17/25 Sullivan County RCC Region 4 Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Elyse Crossman* (GCCC), Jim Contois* (citizen); Keith Thibault (SCT)*; Barbara Farnsworth* (Greater Sullivan County Public Health Network, Dartmouth Health); Candy Reed (Region 4 Mobility Manager); John Haffner* (UVLSRPC); Miranda Dupre* (Vital Communities); Jacopo Montobbio* (Vital Communities) Olivia Conway* (Town of Newport)

Online: Kelly Nolan (RVCC), Amanda Mace (Center for Safer Communities), Fred Butler NH DOT

*voting member

Meeting was called to order at 1:06pm

Introductions all around, quorum is present.

Meeting Minutes: Approve meeting minutes of December 16th 2025.

No changes.

Motion to approve by John. Seconded by Miranda. All approve.

Mobility Manager Update:

Candy Provided Performance Indicator Survey results. Candy has results from the last few months in a spreadsheet that she will send out to the group. It will help provide information about what Mobility Managers are doing. Teri collates into a spreadsheet. Information is also on KeepNHmoving.com. Also provide quarterly reports with a little bit more information.

Candy: how much information is too much? Good amount of information?

All are grateful for the info.

Candy:

- Conflict of interest form. Will be drafting a COI to provide to members. Will send out soon. Need to sign and either return at next meeting or scan and email back to Candy.
- Jessica's law review. NH RSA 265:79-b
- Statewide Coordinating Council: Candy has volunteered to be on goal that advances "equity and lived experience" (e.g., elderly, person with disability, immigrant, veteran, rider). Would be great to add these voices to our group.
 - Miranda: could reach out to Granite State Independent Living
 - Kieth: good example is when we had a rider who used to join these meetings.
 - Amanda: I could reach out to someone at the VA.
- Welcome packet for RCC members. How we can explain what we do and who we are.
- Visit KeepNHmoving.org lots of information about SCC resources.

- Kieth: RCC plays an important role communicating to the SCC
- Jim: I am an Amtrak host – volunteer drivers are picking up folks from the Amtrak station
- Candy: I have been looking to update taxi services in the region. If anybody knows of a taxi services that people are using please let me know.
- P&L
 - Kieth: NH has to raise just \$2200/month to provide the cash match to run the volunteer driver program.
 - Jim: I try to communicate with City Council about the importance of supporting warrant article on the ballot. The council needs to hear from people that use the services. These services are so critical.
 - Barbara: Are we worried about 70% of 5310 funding be expended for salaries but we are only 50% through the fiscal year?
 - Kieth: We try to pull local match. We are always worried, but the agency keeps going. We find match.
- Need to discuss in April the need for new members. Go by the RCC bylaws. Reach out if interested in serving as officer.

Statewide Updates:

Teri Palmer has taken the ED position at Advance Transit.

Fred: NH DOT is working with DHHS to see if State Mobility manager could be funded through their department. Currently funded as a short-term position through Rural Health Transformation grant as a stop-gap. Looking for long-term home. Hopefully in the next month we will have a concrete path forward for funding.

Member and Partner Updates

Jacopo: Point 32 Health Foundation has a grant. Would like to extend this into Sullivan County. Partner with local senior centers. Working with Cornish Elementary on May 6 Walk/Bike to School Day. Working with Bike Walk Alliance of NH.

Fred: Federal DOT reviewing equitable distribution of funds. We don't necessarily have metrics for measuring/documenting what is equitable. Trying to use this survey to understand how we are using federal funds. For 5310 RCC funds we are looking at seniors and people with disabilities.

Candy: We will compile feedback from members and submit this at the next meeting.

New Business

Jim moves to adjourn, Miranda seconds. Meeting adjourned 2:03pm

Next meeting is 4/21/25 from 1-2pm