

1 Northwest Vermont Communications Union District
2 Governing Board Regular Meeting
3 January 15, 2026 at 6:30pm-Meeting Minutes
4 Hybrid Meeting
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6 **Attendance**

7 See Attached.
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9 **Call to Order and Adjustments of the Agenda**

10 Chair Z. Burdick called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. followed by roll call. A quorum was
11 present to conduct business. No adjustments to the agenda.
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13 **Public Comment**

14 No members of the public present, therefore no public comment.
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16 **Approval of Minutes 10/16/2025, 11/13/2025, 12/11/2025**

17 *Z. Burdick motioned to approve 10/16/2025, 11/13/2025, 12/11/2025 minutes. C. Dunn seconded.*
18 *Motion carried.*
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20 **Treasurer's Report (executive session)**

21 C. Benjamin stated that we are able to meet our obligations when due and we are proceeding with
22 a construction plan. C. Benjamin stated we are seeking a motion to go into Executive Session under
23 the provisions of 1 VSA §313 with staff and board members to discuss financial information finding
24 that premature disclosure could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at
25 this time.
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27 *Z. Burdick motioned to enter Executive Session. C. Ainsworth seconded. Motion carried.*
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29 *Z. Burdick motioned to exit Executive Session. M. Stebbins seconded. Motion carried.*
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31 Z. Burdick reported that the group had a discussion regarding financial details but noted that no
32 action was taken in Executive Session other than to end Executive Session.
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34 **Operational Update (executive session)**

35 M.K. Raymond stated we are seeking a motion to go into Executive Session under the provisions of
36 1 VSA §313 with consultants, staff and board members to discuss operational updates finding that
37 premature disclosure could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at this
38 time.
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40 *C. Dunn motioned to enter Executive Session. B. Melcher seconded. Motion carried.*
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42 *Z. Burdick motioned to exit Executive Session. C. Ainsworth seconded. Motion carried.*
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44 Z. Burdick reported that the group had a discussion regarding operational updates but noted that
45 no action was taken in Executive Session other than to end Executive Session.

1 *Z. Burdick motioned to approve the standard pricing model that was presented in Executive*
2 *Session and authorize NWFx staff to operationalize the model for launch. D. Seeley seconded. A*
3 *roll call vote was called for, all in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.*
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5 **Other Business**

6 C. Ainsworth asked if NWFx could resend their annual report to our towns.

7 M. Inners requested that it be sent to the board again as well. Chasidy will resend to everyone.
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9 **Adjourn**

10 *C. Ainsworth motioned to adjourn. Z. Burdick seconded. Motion carried.*

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12 Meeting adjourned 7:32pm.
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**Northwest Communications Union District
Governing Board Meeting Attendance
January 15, 2026**

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- 5 Alburgh Town –Mark Stephens
- 6 Alburgh Village – Cheryl Dunn
- 7 Bakersfield –Absent
- 8 Berkshire –Joshua Grims
- 9 Enosburg Falls Village – Absent
- 10 Enosburgh Town – Vacant
- 11 Fairfax – Absent
- 12 Fairfield – Cathy Ainsworth, Vice Chair
- 13 Franklin – Absent
- 14 Georgia – Zachary Burdick, Chair
- 15 Grand Isle – Michael Inners
- 16 Highgate – Robyn Klein
- 17 Isle La Motte – Cary Sandvig
- 18 Milton –Erik Breiland
- 19 Montgomery – Doug Kopacz
- 20 North Hero – Vacant
- 21 Richford – Daniel Seeley
- 22 Sheldon – Matthew Stebbins
- 23 South Hero – Bob Melcher
- 24 St. Albans Town – Absent
- 25 Swanton Town – Vacant
- 26 Swanton Village – Larry King
- 27 Staff/Contractors – Mary Kay Raymond, Chasidy Benjamin
- 28 GWI – Tom Cecere