

# Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport Committee Meeting

February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## Attendance:

Christopher Beitzel, Marji Graf, Gary Joseph, Fred Nicholson, Michael Klopchin, Brian Pinsonault, Abbott de Rham, Joe Giancola, Sara Gilbert, Susan Schreibman, Charlie Rockwell.

## Minutes:

- Sara Gilbert introduced herself as the Assistant Director at REDC. Sara along with Tyler Richardson who we met at last month's meeting are working to increase membership and business opportunities in the community. Sara also mentioned that she is working closely with the Rutland Young Professionals group
- A discussion about Act 250 9L "Sprawl" limitations consumed a large portion of the meeting but this conversation let into the importance of addressing incorrect information and getting the point on record.
- Taxiway "A" has been postponed until the new signage arrives March 7<sup>th</sup>. Also to take place on March 7<sup>th</sup> is the FAA ILS flight check.
- Abbott shared a video of a concert INTEL sponsored and created using drones, synchronized lighting and a symphony. He suggested this would be a great event to host in Vermont. Perhaps in Middlebury. [Drone 100 A Magical Experience](#)
- Fred mention that the Rutland Planning Commission will be meeting soon to discuss the regional plan and regulatory documents. He also suggested the towns planning commission should reflect the airports future goals for continued growth.
- Okemo is working on their new travel book and they still have space available for advertising and marketing like transportation, ski packages, hotel and flight information.
- Members of the committee asked if we could conduct a survey of who needs a rental car when they fly into Rutland.
  - I spoke with Tracy Adams from Cape Air and she said they would start a tally sheet for their customers to see if they use a rental car or taxi for their transportation.
- The committee also wants to create a checklist for the World Cup competition at Killington for Thanksgiving weekend 2016.