

## *Catamount Radio Issues List*

**Catamount Radio (WDVT, WJEN, WJJR, WSYB, WZRT)** serves our city of license (Rutland/Killington) and beyond to the surrounding areas by gearing our programming to meet the areas of concern to our community members through our issues list.

Our radio stations' staff meets regularly to discuss these issues of importance and based upon recommendations from community leaders, and news topics, both local and regional. We arrive at our issues list and focus our *public service and public affairs* in that direction.

We integrate guests (usually local experts) into our regular programming. Our issues, although addressed in pre-recorded PSA's, are also presented in a more informal fashion with "live" in-studio interviews with representatives from the police department, schools, hospitals and various community leaders.

The stations also broadcast numerous free announcements from non-profit community organizations who request such time to promote their causes.

We also execute a number of "on-location" broadcasts if the event warrants such activity. Catamount Radio believes that *public service is more than lip service*. We know we can encourage more people by example, rather than just more talk.

**ECONOMIC CLIMATE**

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

# WJEN 3Q 2023

## Catamount Community Connection Third Quarter 2023

### PUBLIC SAFETY

**Sunday 9-10-2023 - @ 11pm      Duration: 60 minutes**

Rutland City Police Chief Brian Killcullen and Rutland City Mayor Michael Doenges. The program focuses on the community's concern about public safety in light of the death of Police Officer Jessican Ebinghausen in the line of duty and the continuing issue of drugs and violence and robbery in the area and the Mayor's explanation of flooding concerns in the county and city and the vote to enact the Road Diet, reducing the Woodstock Avenue and North Main Street to one lane with a turning land in the middle and a bike lane on each side. There is much push back on this including an online petition to reconsider the decision. It was a 2-1 vote to do this with the Mayor and Board of Alderman President voting yes and the DPW Commissioner voting no.

### ECONOMIC CLIMATE

**Sunday 9-17-2023 - @ 11pm      Duration: 60 minutes**

CEDRR Executive Director Lyle Jepson and Crispin White who is the Member Services Manager and Events Manager. Lyle is the Executive Director of CEDRR and a long time leader in community affairs. CEDRR stands for Chamber and Economic Development of the Rutland Region. It serves as the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development group in the County. They talk about the work they do with a focus on the Whoopie Pie Festival which attracts thousands of people to the downtown area and

other events in the fall that hope to attract families to move to the Rutland area.

## **ECONOMIC CLIMATE**

**Sunday 9-24-2023 - @ 11pm      Duration: 60 minutes**

Julie Moore, Vermont Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources and Anson Tebbetts, Vermont Secretary of the Agency of Agriculture. Talking about the floods and the new rules affecting 3 acre Rule and Heating Standard. Secretary Tebbetts talked about how the flooding affected farming operations thru the State and what the agricultural community can do to get back on its feet. Also spent a lot of time talking about the continuing decline in conventional dairy farms in Vermont and the diversification of Vermont agriculture. Secretary Moore talked about wake board regulations and new regulations affecting municipal rules regarding wetlands, etc.