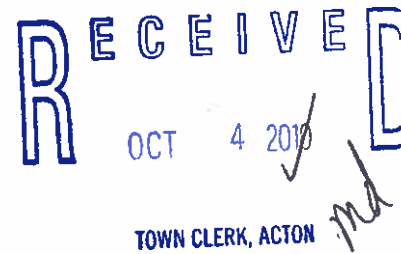


South Acton Train Station Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes – corrected & approved
September 9, 2010



Committee Members Present:

David Martin
Dore' Hunter
John Sonner
Michaela Moran
Nick Zavalas
Peter Berry
Tom Campbell

Committee Members Not Present:

Jim Yarin
Pat Clifford
Sean Hanley

Other Attendees:

Clare Siska
Corey York

Mr. Berry called the meeting to order at 7:32.

The committee voted to accept the minutes of 12 August 2010.

Mr. Berry said that there was no further info on the next design meeting with the MBTA.

Mr. York is working with a company to get an elevator maintenance effort. Mr. Berry reported that Mr. Anderson is making progress on the wording of a maintenance contract with the MBTA. It may turn out however, that a town meeting vote is required for an elevator maintenance contract.

Ms. Moran reported that Ed Bell with the Massachusetts Historical Commission received a letter from the MBTA saying that the HDC had approved the new train station design. She has asked for clarification.

The committee had a lengthy discussion of David Honn's draft letter, and how much detail it should include.

The committee voted unanimously to have Mr. Martin edit Mr. Honn's letter for tone consistent with Ms. Siska's comments and committee feedback, and to have Mr. Berry review and send out the edited letter to the MBTA.

Mr. Zavolas reported that the MAPC is interested in the train station project, and could get started with a letter from the BOS or Town Manager. He said that the Metro Area Planning Council can assess traffic, land use, etc.

The committee voted unanimously for Mr. Zavolas to present to the BOS, and request that they contact the MAPC about assisting with the train station project.

Mr. Berry said that we need subcommittee for elevator maintenance, ARRT interaction, publicity, landscaping, etc.

Ms. Siska reported that the phase 2 study of the Cauette land is public, and that the special town meeting on 28 September is bring a close to the issue. The land may affect the interaction between the end of the ARRT and the station.

The next SATSAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for 7:30 on 23 September 2010 at the COA.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23.

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Questions for the next MBTA meeting:

- Can we get cad pictures of the area with people to assess scale?
- Has there been progress on the Montori property?
- Will the MBTA be responsible for cleaning the station, and dealing with graffiti?
- Will the station design abide by the town's lighting by-law?
- Will there be advertizing? Where will it be located?

Links:

<http://www.acton-ma.gov/index.aspx?nid=244> is the SATSAC page.

<http://www.calltoacton.org/> is the local advocacy group.

<http://www.littletonma.org/content/49/3594/5590/default.aspx> is Littleton's MBTA Commuter Rail Advisory Committee.

http://www.mbta.com/about_the_mbta/t_projects/default.asp?id=15585 is the MBTA site about the project.