

Transportation Advisory Committee

MINUTES

Wed April 25, 2012 Room 121

Present:

Jim Citro

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Franny Osman (chair)

John Sonner (BOS)

Did we look at previous minutes?

Decided to send simple notes to Clerk in future, better than none.

When are our meetings? 4th Wed. in month, 4th in Nov. 2012, 2nd week in Dec. 2012.

Site Plans:

Reviewed site plan for housing across from Donelan's; we emailed comments directly to Cheryl Frazier. We made suggestions about connection to the other nearby neighborhoods by foot paths.

Active Acton grants:

Video- Franny has a team working on it.

In video, we will state that the service will continue to evolve based on the expressed needs of residents.

Bike Rack- We had told Town we wanted it in front of the fire station in West Acton, visual from street, but been told of trouble plowing. Then we considered a shopping mall location. Recently Pat Clifford suggested the MinuteVan West Acton fire station lot location. We decided at this meeting to request a bike rack at this location, somewhere that won't interfere with plowing, using the Active Acton \$500 grant.

TAC recommends: (give to Doug Halley)

Fixed route using Rail Shuttle vehicle, 1 hour before the Rail Shuttle begins, in the afternoons, that would include a stop at the school. Jen the Dispatcher has said that she thinks this would be helpful. TAC estimates a cost of about \$4000 per year for this added hour.

TAC suggests:

Bike rack on back of dial-a-ride

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Include earliest possible time and latest possible time right on DAR signup form on web.

Franny, remind David Martin that we would like to be in touch with T so they likely use MInuteVan for the construction-related shuttling, even if it needs extra lots such as Kmart.

Franny: write to Sidewalk committee about coming to them and planning a public forum about connections between neighborhoods. Include SATSAC, 2020, multimodal—2 wheels, 2 feet, rail trails.

Who? Ask Bruce Freeman and Assabet River Rail Trails how TAC can help them and if they have recommended TAC members from their ranks.

Forward to TAC: RFP from CIC grant, latest Transaction progress report, video from Lexington.

May 3 Franny will present to EDC about transportation.

Adjourned 8:40.

Minutes approved at 6-6-12 meeting.