

MINUTES

Town of Acton Transportation Advisory Committee

Wed. July 24, 2013
Room 121, Town Hall
730 pm

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MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of TAC July 24, 2013

Attending: Franny Osman, Michael Fisher, Jim Citro

Citizens' Concerns: none

Discussion of schedule for future meetings of TAC: probably will go to bimonthly

Minute Van: Starting August 1 abandoning HBSS software in favor of Mobilitat which offers better performance and support; costs \$28K

Minute Van will become part of Cross-town Connect, increasing to 8 hours of dispatch time (versus current 6 hours); 4 vans will have live dispatch; requests will be sent to iPads in vehicles; includes COA van for service for commuters (just like Dial-a-Ride now); Jim Scanlon will give Transaction an 18-seat van in exchange for a 2008 van

Cross Town Connect has received a CIC grant 2 years in a row and is forming a transit management association, a public/private venture that will bring vehicles from other towns into central dispatch: Acton, Boxborough, Maynard, Littleton, Stow (something about \$184,000); companies will participate: IBM, Cisco, Emerson Hospital See Acton.TV org, selectman's meeting of 7/22, for further details

Something also about Concord, Westford, Carlisle, Red Hat?, FIBA?

A total of 13 rolling stock vehicles to be optimized for use ("The Ride" goes to Concord because that makes money)

A grant of technical assistance from Easter Seals will help build advisory board
Event happening in the fall: one-day training for advisory board for Crosstown Connect

Bicycling: post recruitment ads on web site (for what? A bike expert to join TAC?)
Distribute questionnaire at Pedal Power to help set goals: How many miles do you bike
for recreation? business? errands?
What keeps you from bicycling more often? What should Acton prioritize to improve
bicycling after Bruce Freeman rail trail? How old are you? Are you a resident of Acton or
Boxborough?

Meeting adjourned at [not recorded].

Next meeting scheduled for 9/25