



Town of Sudbury

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Sudbury Transportation Committee

Minutes

Friday, June 26th, 2020

10:30 AM

Via Town Zoom Conference Call

Core Members Present: Daniel Carty, Alice Sapienza, Sandy Lasky, Doug Frey, Adam Duchesneau, Carmine Gentile (joined late)

Core Members Absent: Debra Galloway, Dan Nason

Advisory Group Absent: Charlie Dunn, Scott Nix, Beth Suedmeyer, Bethany Hadvab, Lisa Kouchakdjian, Ellen Joachim

Guest: Linda Faust

Confirmation of Quorum

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, Dan Carty as acting chair convened the meeting at 10:35 am. A quorum was confirmed.

Selection of Clerk

Sandy volunteered to take meeting minutes.

Meeting Postponement from Prior Week

Dan explained the circumstances that led to our meeting of the prior week being postponed (being "Zoom Bombed"). Technological changes have been implemented: first, the person who is controlling the meeting can remove individuals, and they cannot rejoin; second, the Chat Window is saved.

The Transportation Committee Charter has been extended for one more year.

The Committee was informed of this decision by Dan Carty.

MAPC COVID-19 Taxicab, Livery, Hackney Transportation Partnership Grant

Alice provided an update on the grant application which has been submitted with two changes based on discussions with MAPC on assumptions and costs. One of these is information from JFK Taxi that the cost of cleaning is \$10 vs. \$15. The assumptions regarding Tommy Taxi usage were based on res-

ident's distance from key medical facilities (e.g., 5 miles or 10 miles), and a paragraph was added to the grant narrative to make this clearer.

Travis Pollack (MAPC) responded to an inquiry from us last week to say that the state has been overwhelmed with the number of grants submitted. The Committee agreed that, if we do not receive an emergency grant, we should proceed with a modified pilot of the GO Sudbury program in order to get our at risk residents the transportation they need to medical appointments that have been postponed due to the Coronavirus.

The expected date for notification of acceptance of the grant is July 1.

The new Coolidge Building will provide the town with \$10,000 for transportation once they receive the Certificate of Occupancy.

Communication to key audiences on the availability of MAPC Grant availability is key to getting our user groups on board as soon as possible. (Seniors, Financial Need, People with Disabilities)

GO Sudbury

Multi-municipality effort will be revisited shortly. A call with Uber is scheduled for the week of June 29 to cover issues related to the Dashboard and a few other final issues.

A Communication Strategy for Go Sudbury will be developed by Sandy Lasky and Debra Galloway. This will most likely include but not be limited to the Town Website, email blasts, partner sites, and initial liaisons (Senior Center, Town Social Worker, Coolidge)

Currently, the application and waivers (2) are in final draft form.

The IMA has had no progress as we are currently focusing on MAPC and Go Sudbury priorities.

Update on State Legislation

Carmine Gentile provided a brief update on current legislation on transportation and school opening guidelines. The State House has passed a Transportation Bond Bill but the State Senate refuses to take this up. This bond would eliminate the need for further taxation.

Statement Read Into Record

Sandy Lasky read a statement into the record about being verbally accosted (twice) for wearing mask by a non-masked runner on the sidewalk on Hudson Road. The Committee recommended she reach out to Scot Nix with the information.

Approval of the June 5th, 2020 minutes

A motion by Alice to approve the May 8th, 2020 minutes was made, seconded by Doug and approved 6-0.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is July 10th, 2020 at 10:30 AM via the town Zoom service

Adjournment

A motion by Dan C. to adjourn was made, seconded by Alice and approved 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.