



Town of Sudbury

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Sudbury Transportation Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

3:00PM

DPW Conference Room, 275 Old Lancaster Road

Core Members Present: Daniel Carty, Alice Sapienza, Sandy Lasky, Doug Frey, Adam Duchesneau

Advisory Group Members Present: Bethany Hadvab, Ellen Joachim

Absent: Charlie Dunn, Scott Nix, Beth Suedmeyer, Carmine Gentile

Guests: Linda Faust, Kay Bell

Confirmation of Quorum

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, Dan Carty as chair convened the meeting at 3:08 PM. A quorum was confirmed.

Selection of Clerk

Doug volunteered to take meeting minutes.

Community Compact Grant/"Making the Connection"

Alice mentioned there may be two candidates for the Program Manager position. One is currently a government affairs employee in Acton and the other is with Nelson/Nygaard consulting firm. She thanked Adam for his efforts.

There will be a meeting in Stow on 1/22/20 with other towns to discuss "How do we start pilot". Sudbury is further along in our process than the other towns and will help other towns develop their pilot programs.

Go Sudbury! Pilot

Alice was in contact with JFK and Tommy's Taxi companies. JFK taxis of Natick has WAV vehicles available while Tommy's does not. It was mentioned that the taxi business models are changing and there is increased interest in contract work.

Alice described how Uber will not provide WAV services as they have decided not to make WAV service part of the Sudbury dashboard. WAV vehicles from Uber may be available. In that case, a qualified rider's fare would be subsidized as part of the pilot.

Doug mentioned that the Commission on Disability has a problem with launching a pilot without provisions made for persons with disabilities needing a WAV and doing so is a potential violation of ADA Title II law.

There was discussion about looking at other WAV solutions and that logistics need to be worked out.

Uber Dashboard Agreement

The Dashboard Agreement and Waiver are ready to sign but need approval from Town leaders and counsel. There is a need to sit down with Andi Bailey of Uber to discuss modifications.

Go Sudbury Discussion

It was mentioned Carlisle uses GoGo Technology as a concierge service for people who need assistance and finding drivers. There is an additional fee of \$.27 per minute for making the request of the TNC and then for monitoring the ride(s) for the concierge service.

The Beta test of 15-20 individuals was discussed. The plan is to run the Beta test for a month, collect data and then roll out to a wider population for the pilot. Bethany clarified her role in setting up the Beta test population registration process. It was suggested that Linda Faust would be a good Beta test participant from the disabled community.

Dan reviewed how problems with the applications will be supported at various locations and discussed potential ID requirements for each of the 4 target populations.

Action Items

Dan will update Go Sudbury form

Debra G will continue to work to find WAV vehicle for pilot.

Alice will continue to work with taxi companies

Everyone will work with their advocates for application help.

Question came up as to who will help Veterans. Need to determine.

Future Agenda Items

Dan asked that committee members think about future goals of the Committee and be ready to discuss at the next meeting.

Doug asked that revisiting a fixed stop at Meadowwalk on the commuter shuttle be added to the next's meeting's agenda.

Approval of the January 3, 2020 minutes

A motion to approve the January minutes was made, seconded and approved unanimously.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is January 21, 2020 at 9:30 AM in the DPW Conference Room. Dan mentioned he would not be able to attend.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 4:25p, seconded and approved unanimously.

