

Mass Transit and Highway Advisory Commission Meeting
July 27, 2021, 6:30 pm
Minutes

Present: Herb Asplund, Terry Hart, Renee Powell, Sue Larsen, Jim MacPherson.

Herb Asplund said the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes were approved unanimously. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Old business: Karen Wagner gave an update on the RAISE grant. She filed the grant application on July 9, the day after the last meeting. At the July 12 town council meeting, she reported to the town council regarding the grant's status. They appeared supportive as long as the grant didn't cost the town money. The next step is to look for other grants. Karen asked the other Commission members to use the summer break to seek out sources of grants in categories that would be most likely to favor our project. Those would include environmental, economic development, infrastructure, multimodal, Covid, among others. Carly DeLuca was absent due to illness so there was no report from her.

New business: Karen mentioned an inquiry from a resident about whether bus stops without shelters might have park benches. She has reached out to CT Transit but hasn't heard back yet. She also mentioned the town's ongoing push for sidewalks and asked the Commission's interest is being more proactive in their support. Commission members agreed that we should take a strong supporting position.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

The next meeting is July 27 at 6:30 pm.