

Mass Transit and Highway Advisory Commission Minutes  
Sept. 28, 2021, 6:30 pm

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

Herb Asplund led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes were approved unanimously with one grammatical correction. The agenda was approved unanimously.

**Old business:**

Grants: Karen reported that we were rejected for the RAISE grant because we were classified as an urban area and needed a matching grant. We can try again next year.

Trolley: Karen talked to the former manager of Enfield's Magic Carpet, Damian Humphrey, who is a South Windsor resident. He said town officials need to be part of the operation. Sue Larsen will talk to Scott Roberts about whether this is realistic. She will also pursue the need for service at Evergreen Walk. Herb Asplund will check with FedEx to find out if employees there need bus service.

Hop on Hop off: DOT officials gave Karen information on a Hop on Hop off service that is already operating in southern Connecticut. Commission members were unsure if that would work for South Windsor but Terry Hart offered to look into the service and figure out how it works.

WIFI: Jim MacPherson will follow up on Carly DeLuca's work with Wi-Fi providers to pin down specific costs.

Bus stop benches: Kathy Gross from CTTransit said adding benches at bus stops would be fine but would be the town's responsibility, including the initial cost. Jim raised a concern about vandalism and how we might handle that.

Intern: Carly DeLuca has finished her internship. Karen asked for input for a final evaluation. Members agreed she did a good job under difficult circumstances.

**New business:**

Annual report: Karen passed around the draft of the annual report and asked for everyone to review it. The report was revised to reflect those comments and approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

The next meeting is Oct. 26 at 6:30 pm.