



Town of Sudbury

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Sudbury Transportation Committee

Minutes

Monday, December 9, 2019

2 PM

1st Floor Conference Room, Sudbury Police Station, 75 Hudson Rd Sudbury MA

Core Members Present: Daniel Carty, Debra Galloway, Sandy Lasky, Alice Sapienza, Adam Duchesneau

Advisory Group Members Present: Police Chief Scott Nix

Absent: Charlie Dunn, Beth Suedmeyer, Carmine Gentile, Dan Nason, Doug Frey

Guests: Linda Faust (citizen), Kay Bell (Commission on Disability)

Confirmation of Quorum

The statutory requirements as to notice having been complied with, Dan Carty as acting chair convened the meeting at 2:10 PM. He noted the new format for the agenda and thanks Alice Sapienza for the suggestion.

Selection of Clerk

Dan volunteered to take meeting minutes.

Administrative

Adam Duchesneau will get on the Selectmen Agenda for Dec 17 2019 to discuss the Intermunicipal Agreement. He will present a draft of the agreement and ask for comments. Adam also announced that he published the Program Manager position but has not yet received any responses for the job. It is out in the MMA (Massachusetts Municipal Association) as well as other publications; Dan has asked the other member towns to publish and/or advertise it.

Uber Responses to Dashboard Agreement

Alice asked if Sudbury needs to approve the use of its logo and/or participation if Uber were to use us as a case study. She stressed that counsel needs to review the agreement; Adam noted that it was in process. Alice stated that Uber will likely not provide WAV (wheelchair accessible vehicles) for this pilot. Kay Bell and Linda Faust stated dissatisfaction with this and stressed its importance. Alice asked that someone volunteer to look into Sudbury providing a WAV and driver, similar to the option that Carlisle pursued. Deb Galloway volunteered. Sandy Lasky asked if taxicab companies were still an option; Alice stated they may be but Uber will be a preferred provider. Kay reminded group that equal access was the law and it must be figured out. Dan and Adam agreed to add the wheelchair issue to the ongoing discussion with Town Counsel. Alice said that Tommy's Taxi does not have WAV (Chief Nix called the company and confirmed) but that JFK does. She stated that we need to reach back out to the taxi companies. Deb offered to call Carlisle to see how they transport people in wheelchairs.

Alice stated that Uber has said that each user needed to have their own personal account and credit card. The group questioned this as they noted it will be an issue for financially vulnerable residents. Linda asked for clar-

ification on micro-transit vs. Uber and what financial caps may be in place. Alice stated that Uber is a micro-transit provider then reviewed the co-pay and distance limit plans for pilot.

GO Sudbury! Processes

Dan showed the group the revised GO Sudbury! signup form and reviewed the feedback and questions from last Committee meeting. Kay provided feedback on the usage of checkboxes and specifically “Please check all that apply”. She felt that they should have statements and not questions. Alice asked that “...prefer a sedan” be changed to “...need a sedan”. Deb asked that hearing impairment be added to the list of disabilities. Alice reviewed her issue with the “save this link” process. Chief Nix asked that we add wording similar to “please do not share this link with others”. Dan showed the “Edit your Response” link and email that users would get upon submittal. Sandy suggested that we refer users to their email in the event they want to make edits.

Dan said he would make updates and refresh the database so that all could fill out the questionnaire again. He then will provide a link to group, including Kay, once updates to form were made and asked for more feedback.

Linda Faust asked to be informed of when the next meetings would be.

Dan then began the process of flow mapping what would happen, when, and by whom during the registration process. He started by breaking up the users groups into Veterans, Disabilities, Financial need, and age 50+. Each group may follow different processes and he felt it was important we chart out each one. Alice suggested we pick one user group to get started; Kay suggested Veterans.

Issues uncovered during the exercise included

- Follow up with Bethany Hadvab to confirm who the Advocates would be. Those identified included individuals at The Coolidge, Longfellow Glen, Musketaquid/Sudbury Housing Authority, Veterans Affairs office, Senior Center, Goodnow Library.
- The Google Sheet database needs to be augmented with Reviewer name, date approved, Primary user group (i.e. Financial, Disability, Veteran, 50+)
- Also need to know who will enter the above data into the database

Group agreed to continue with the process mapping exercise in the next meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

The November 19 2019 minutes were unanimously approved with minor edits. Alice will make needed updates and send to Dan for publication.

Next Meetings

Meetings were scheduled for January 3, 2020 at 9:30AM in the Sudbury Police Station and for January 15, 2020 at 3:00PM, location TBD.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made at 3:35 PM, seconded and Committee unanimously agreed.