

**Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority  
Advisory Board Meeting  
Hyannis Transportation Center  
April 16, 2014**

**Minutes**

A meeting of the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, at 9:00 a.m., at the Hyannis Transportation Center, Hyannis, Massachusetts. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Tom Guerino, Chairman.

Board members present were: Tom Guerino, Bourne; Roy Jones, Brewster; Bob Lawton, Yarmouth; Mark Ells, Barnstable; Neil Andres, Eastham; Jill Goldsmith, Chatham; Tom Mayo, Mashpee; Bill Doherty, Harwich; Bud Dunham, Sandwich; Dorothy Voelker, Yarmouth Port; Sandy Fife, Dennis.

Others present included: Thomas Cahir, CCRTA; Glenn Cannon, Cape Cod Commission;; George Slade, CCRTA; Dennis Walsh, CCRTA; John Kennedy, Eastern MA Transit; Fred Valdivia, Eastern MA Transit; Brian Dale, CCRTA; Kathleen Jensen, CCRTA; Paula George, CCRTA, Lynn Ahlgren, CCRTA.

A 69% quorum was determined.

Tom Guerino stated that an alternate needs to be chosen to attend MPO meetings when he is not available. Jill Goldsmith volunteered.

Guerino also requested that a town be chosen according to Section 5 of Chapter 161B in which a rider is appointed to serve on the board as a voting member. Bill Doherty moved that Provincetown be chosen, Roy Jones seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

**I. Minutes of December 18, 2013 Advisory Board Meeting**

Neil Andres moved that the minutes be approved. Bob Lawton seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

**II. Reports**

Administrator Tom Cahir recognized the loss of Rex Peterson and David Scudder. He also asked that we keep Dorothy and Ed Voelker in our prayers who were in a serious accident.

Cahir summarized board reports beginning with discussion about the CapeFLYER. Roy Jones asked if we would have Saturday day trips to Boston. Cahir answered the only train that would make an early trip to Boston would be on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 in partnership with the Pan Mass Challenge.

Cahir continued mentioning the progress of the Cape Cod Regional Coordinating Committee. Bill Doherty noted the importance of Environmental Justice.

With that statement, Cahir segued into the additional DART service that we are providing for the town of Falmouth and that there will be a public forum in order to hear what senior residents think of how the CCRTA can improve. Roy Jones suggested having these discussions in more towns.

Cahir finished highlighting the reports noting that the budget will be major discussion of this meeting. Bill Doherty asked about when we would have our audit. George Slade answered that we will have a site visit in a couple weeks and around early October the Financial Statements from the auditor would be finalized.

Roy Jones added that he is happy to see that we are involved with bike safety and still has a great concern that a stop sign is not the same as a stop sign on a roadway. In Virginia they put up a turnstile type of blocking on their bike path so a cyclist had to stop. He would like to see more attention paid to bike crossings. Cahir responded that we are working closely with Glenn Cannon and the Cape Cod Commission and will make sure those comments are noted.

### **III. Advisory Board**

- Executive Committee

None

- Audit & Finance

Budget will be discussed.

- Fare & Service

Bill Doherty suggested that he and Roy Jones meet to discuss and asked if there was any notion of raising fares. Cahir answered no.

- Rail Committee

None

#### **IV. New Business**

Tom Mayo heard there might be significant delays to our operation regarding getting access to Open Cape because of the phone companies and asked if there was anything the board could do to help. Cahir asked Dennis Walsh if he had anything to add.

Dennis responded that he received a call from Cape Net and as far as the Hyannis connection, the conduit is there and the phone and utility companies poles that they have to get final approval from and will probably be completed within a month. The South Dennis connection will take longer.

Bob Lawton talked about documents provided to the board summarizing the budget. Tom Guerino thanked George for his efforts.

#### **A roll call vote was taken to approve the FY15 Budget as submitted:**

<b>Barnstable -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Bourne -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Brewster -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Chatham -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Dennis -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Eastham -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Harwich -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Mashpee -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Sandwich -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Yarmouth -</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Yarmouth Port - Yes**

**V. Old Business**

**VI. Public Questions/Concerns**

None.

**VII. Adjournment**

**Bob Lawton moved to adjourn, Roy Jones seconded, approved unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m.