

**Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority  
Advisory Board Meeting  
Hyannis Transportation Center  
June 20, 2018**

**Minutes**

A meeting of the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, June 20, 2018, 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; Rae Ann Palmer, Truro; Bud Dunham, Sandwich; Dorothy Voelker, Yarmouth Port; David Panagore, Provincetown; Dave Schropfer, Eastham; Frank Nichols, Orleans; John Cahalane, Mashpee; Brenda Vasquez, Dennis.

Others present included: Thomas Cahir, CCRTA; Kristen Boyd, CCRTA; John Kennedy, MV; Dennis Foster MV; Fred Valdivia MV; Kathleen Jensen, CCRTA; Henry Swiniarski, CCRTA; Lynn Ahlgren, CCRTA; Noah Berger, CCRTA; Lisa McKay, CCRTA; Scott Swiniarski, CCRTA; Linda Landry, CCRTA.

A 76.52% quorum was determined.

**I. Minutes of April 25, 2018 Advisory Board Meeting**

Jones moved that the minutes be approved. Schropfer seconded. Abstentions: Mashpee, Truro, Provincetown. **Approved.**

**II. Reports**

Tom Cahir reviewed the board packet highlighting the Senior Initiative, Steamship Authority's NTD Reporting payment, and the Maximization Legislation.

David Panagore asked if the Provincetown ferries did not meet the 50% commuter threshold, would that impact NTD funding. Tom C. responded that once the Provincetown ferry providers submit their data to NTD, they would generate additional funding either way, although the total amount would be reduced by approximately 75% if they are not classified as commuter.

Tom Guerino asked if there was technical assistance with regards to NTD reporting. Tom C. responded that previously John Fuller had been accessible and now Noah Berger is working together with Steamship Authority and Hy-Line Cruises to help them through the process.

Tom C. continued reviewing the reports and mentioned the delay with the RMV addition to the Hyannis Transportation Center.

Roy Jones asked about the progress on the redevelopment of the entrance from Route 28 into the Transportation Center. Tom C. answered that yes, there is a lot of activity going on in regards to that area. We are working with the Cape Cod Commission and the TDI group among others and we will have input in all that materializes.

Tom spoke next about Smart Transportation week and asked Kristen Boyd to give a quick update as to the activities occurring throughout the Cape the week of June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Tom mentioned the CapeFLYER numbers are strong so far and noted that there will be no South Side stop this year.

To finalize, Tom mentioned that Kristen B. has met with agencies working with the J1 students and the CCRTA purchased bike lights with Bike & Ped enhancement funds that were handed out at a variety of J1 events.

David Panagore noted that there are about 600 J1 students in Provincetown and would like more information about participating in our program.

Dave Schropfer spoke about how white bikes are painted throughout the outer Cape to honor each cyclist who has died and how they have different rules overseas. Now they're painting arrows in the roads which help riders understand which way to go.

Bud Dunham asked for clarification regarding the DART service reduction to 2 trips per hour. Dennis Foster explained

Rae Ann Palmer discussed their COA's transportation issues and working with DART to work together in helping their seniors. Kristen Boyd responded that we are talking with all COA's to see how we can improve transportation for Seniors and suggested that Truro through Wellfleet COA's meet and collaborate on different ways the Outer Cape towns could work together.

Brenda Vazquez spoke about how the Senior Initiative is one of the most creative and strong collaborations that she has seen and mentioned that this has led to very visible improvements.

### **III. Advisory Board**

- Executive Committee – No report
- Audit & Finance – No report
- Fare & Service – No report
- Rail Committee – No report

### **IV. New Business**

- Scott Swiniarski gave a presentation regarding the Solar projects at the RTA and Dennis Operations Center.

Roy Jones asked how Solect makes money. Scott answered that we lease the equipment and buy the electricity from them. John Cahalane and Dave Schropfer both mentioned that their towns are very happy with their solar projects and it has saved a lot of money. Bud Dunham spoke about Sandwich's PPA has changed hands several times and they have struggled to get their money but there is an agency that can intervene named CVAC and will do the billing for them so they will get the money before the solar company.

**V. Old Business**

**VI. Public Questions/Concerns**

**VII. Adjournment**

**Roy Jones moved to adjourn, Dave Panagore seconded, approved unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.