

**Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority
Advisory Board Meeting
Hyannis Transportation Center
December 18, 2019**

Minutes

A meeting of the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, December 18, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. at the Hyannis Transportation Center, Hyannis, Massachusetts. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Bob Lawton, Vice Chairman.

Board members present were: George Slade, Bourne; Bob Lawton, Yarmouth; Mark Ells, Barnstable; Bud Dunham, Sandwich; Dorothy Voelker, Yarmouth Port; Dave Schropfer, Eastham; Judi Wilson, Orleans; Sam Patterson, Falmouth; Peter Lombardi, Brewster; Wayne Taylor, Mashpee; Griffin Ryder, Harwich, Eric Sussman, Provincetown; Jill Goldsmith, Chatham; Brenda Vazquez, Dennis.

Others present included: Thomas Cahir, CCRTA; Chris Kennedy, CCRTA; John Kennedy, MV; Fred Valdivia, MV; Frank Nogueira, MV; Kathleen Jensen, CCRTA; Henry Swiniarski, CCRTA; Noah Berger, CCRTA; Lisa McKay, CCRTA; Scott Swiniarski, CCRTA; Paula George, CCRTA; Linda Landry, CCRTA.

A 89.26% quorum was determined.

I. Minutes of September 19, 2019 Advisory Board Meeting

Dave Schropfer moved that the minutes be approved as presented. Mark Ells seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

II. Reports

Tom Cahir began his presentation with an announcement that the Cape Cod RTA was awarded \$345,600 in MassDOT Discretionary Funding to enhance Buzzards Bay transit service. He also announced that Cape Cod RTA was a recipient of the Leading by Example award from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Resources. He then reported on the positive outcome of the annual Program Preview. He mentioned the new SmartDART app and that Chris Kennedy would be giving a presentation during the meeting.

He emphasized items throughout the reports including:

- Transit Oriented Development and the housing development effort
- Route enhancements
- Community Transit Grant award to procure 14 new vehicles
- Ongoing partnerships with 5C's and Cape Cod Healthcare
- HST RFP

Chris Kennedy then gave a presentation on the new SmartDART app soon to be launched.

Comments/Questions included:

- Mark Ells will have Lynne Poyant contact Chris to spread the word and display the new app on Channel 18. He stated that this will be huge for the youth of the community.
- Sam Patterson asked about expanded hours of operation and mentioned this will be helpful to underserved areas.
- Wayne Taylor asked about the app feeding into the Sealine in order to get to Mashpee.
- George Slade was excited about involving seniors use of the new technology and convenient service.
- Dave Schropfer complimented the progressive transportation initiative.

III. **Advisory Board**

- Executive Committee – Bob Lawton reported on his discussion with Bruce Norling and the FY19 Audit outcome stating there were, once again, no findings.
- Bob Lawton opened the discussion about the Appointment of Officers and offered to assume the role of Chairman. Dave Schropfer made a motion to appoint Bob Lawton as Chair, Mark Ells seconded, **approved unanimously**. Dave Schropfer then offered to assume the role as Vice Chair. Bud Dunham made a motion to appoint Dave Schropfer as Vice Chair, Mark Ells seconded, **approved unanimously**. Mark Ells made a motion to re-elect Bud Dunham as Clerk, Jill Goldsmith seconded, **approved unanimously**.

IV. **New Business** – none

V. **Old Business** - none

VI. **Public Questions/Concerns** - none

VII. **Adjournment**

Dave Schropfer moved to adjourn, Mark Ells seconded, approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.