



TOWN OF NORTON

Alternative Transportation Committee (Committee)

MINUTES

Date: 10/14/15

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Town Hall Break Room

Members & Staff Present: Sandy Ollerhead, Scott Holman, Denny Goodrich, Karen Kenter, Linda Kollett, Kathleen Ebert-Zawasky, Beata Schmid

Others: Jackie Schmidt, SRPEDD, Frances Shirley, guest

I. The meeting was called to order at: 7:06 PM _____

II. Minutes from the 5/20/15 and 9/2/15 meetings were reviewed and approved with no adjustments.

III. Old Business

A. Publicity

1. Update on Norton Soccer Opening Day. Kathy Ebert-Zawasky, Sandy Ollerhead and Scott Holman attended and it went well. They were able to answer many questions.

2. Mansfield Information

- a. Beata Schmid and Karen Kenter attended the Mansfield mural dedication on 9/19/15 and it went well.
- b. Sherri Gurnon reported that the Mansfield portion of the design study (\$115,000) has been placed in the Capital Improvement Plan for November.
- c. Mansfield is also building a part of the trail over land it owns near the Taunton line.

IV. New Business

A. Update on Finance Committee Meeting (\$480,000 on the warrant)

The final vote at the meeting was a yes, although there was concern that the town cannot afford all day kindergarten. There were also some safety concerns. There was also some discussion about maintenance costs. The Alternative Transportation Committee talked about setting up a Friends of the Trail to help with maintenance.

B. Update on Concerns

1. Some of the Norton resident concerns were discussed. It was decided that no response was needed to a Facebook post with a list of issues.
2. The committee then reviewed the FAQ document, and added a few things, including:
For all ages and abilities
Makes Norton more attractive to new families
No big annual maintenance cost

3. Abutter Dan Biron will be asked to speak at the Town Meeting. A quote from a local firefighter will also be used.

C. Preparation for Town Meeting.

There was discussion about who from the committee would speak at Town Meeting. Denny Goodrich offered to speak if he is able to get to the meeting. Otherwise Sandy will speak

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 _until the next meeting on to be determined.

Respectfully submitted, Minutes Approved by Committee on: _____
(Date)

Signatures:

_____ Chairman, _____