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Meeting Minutes

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DEPT./BOARD: Transportation Committee
DATE: 4/6/2022
TIME: 6:30pm
PLACE: Webex

In attendance: Marge Yetman, Rick Parker, Katherine Bond, Melissa Interest, Melissa Massardo, Jeremy Harrington, Nick Priest

Others: Eileen Sickler, Jennifer Priest

Meeting called to order at 6:33p

Minutes

- 1) Approve minutes from 3/2/22 meeting - unanimously approved – 5 votes
- 2) Discussion of options reviewed to date and next steps
 - a) Students
 - i) Pogo: has potential to fill a need with carpooling; suggest pilot; potential to spread beyond schools; start at High School?
 - (1) Katherine: like the idea of a pilot
 - (2) Melissa M: expensive for not a guaranteed ride; could a computer science class at HS build something?
 - ii) Safe Routes to School (SRTS):
 - (1) Katherine: reviewed SRTS presentation; commented on school priorities and lack of movement on program – COVID, bus drivers, hybrid decisions, etc.; not forgotten by school staff and plan to do the parent survey with SRTS; would like to craft pointed questions to parents
 - (2) Rick: SRTS doing traffic study at Fox Hill 4/5 and 4/6; looking for other school to be studied but SRTS coordinator hadn't connected with Memorial school yet
 - (a) Request of Transportation Committee to become Alliance partner
 - (i) Jeremy pointed out risk of having too many layers of decision makers which could slow things down
 - (ii) School Partner (https://gis.massdot.state.ma.us/forms/srts_partner/) vs. Alliance Partner (https://gis.massdot.state.ma.us/forms/srts_alliance_partner/) – differences
 - b) Seniors: Lyft/Gogo Technologies for seniors; funding mechanism is currently B Line funds that were still in the budget as well as TNC dollars that replenish that account; senior fees go straight to Lyft; currently the best option right now for Seniors
 - i) Some gaps – people having hard time getting out of the house
 - ii) Those who need chair cars
 - c) Workforce population
 - i) Rick: Workday transport during the day is needed, esp for Life Sciences companies who are shuttling in





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- (1) Reviewed a draft map of a bus route that could be utilized during day to shuttle workforce around town
 - ii) Rick: Community Transit Grant program – training on 4/21
 - iii) Rick: Foster the amenities that keep resident taxes low
- 3) Chair report
 - a) Discussed inviting Susan Barrett, Transportation Manager from Lexington, to next meeting to discuss regionalization plan in the works
- 4) Next meeting date: 5/4/2022 at 6:30p
- 5) Motion to adjourn at 7:53p - unanimous

