

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PTAC)
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016 @ 7 P.M.
BROOKLINE TOWN HALL, ROOM 408
BROOKLINE, MA 02446

7:00 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER, TAKE ATTENDANCE, APPOINT NOTE
 TAKER AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2016 AND APRIL 26,
 2016 MEETINGS.

PTAC members present: Deborah Dong, Abby Swaine, Scott Englander, and Linda Jason (note taker). Minutes of May 17, 2016 approved with some modifications and minutes of April 26, 2016 meeting approved.

7:05 PM PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
 None

7:10 PM MISCELLANEOUS UPDATES: TRANSIT & DEVELOPMENT, POTENTIAL
 FOR ADDING RTE 51 AFTERNOON BUS, ETC.

Scott: No reports to offer from Transportation Board meetings or activities.

Linda: Has inquired of Shalini Sen to provide the name of the MBTA person who is in charge of easements, platform standards, fences. A meeting is scheduled with Erin Gallentine, Director of Brookline Parks and Open Space for a walk through of the site at the Beaconsfield T stop which would allow for access from the stop directly to Waldstein Park.

Abby: Attended a public hearing of the River Road Study Committee, regarding the area at River Road and Brookline Avenue where the discussion centered on the possible upzoning of the parcel and consideration of a standard of a maximum number of parking spaces, rather than a minimum, for the parcel.

Abby also suggested that PTAC might want to monitor, for transport issues, the discussions/exploration for a solution to the need for more space at Brookline High School whether it is expansion, a second campus or rebuilding.

7:40 PM PLAN BUS STOP CENSUS PILOT

Abby provided the Committee with the 68 page MBTA Bus Stop Planning & Design Guidelines to familiarize us with the scope and reach of those guidelines. The committee reviewed some of the parameters to consider including footprint of the stop, signage, amenities (bench, shelter) and accessibility of the stop. We will have

to become familiar with the guidelines to determine which parameters are important to PTAC and will be included in our survey and will need to design an efficient method perform the survey and to record our findings. It was acknowledged that this will be a challenge!

There was discussion of a test ride by several Committee members on the Bus 65 route to get a sense of how the information might be gathered. No date was set for the test ride.

The need for a summer break in meetings was acknowledged and all agreed to try to schedule a September meeting via an email survey.

9:03 PM Meeting adjourned.