

**MINUTES
TOWN OF CONCORD
CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Thursday August 2 2012
7:00 PM-9:30 PM
Clock Tower Room
Harvey Wheeler Community Center**

Present: Lisa Bergen, presiding
Rick Anderson
Ray Bruttomesso
Kate Damon
Louise Haldeman
Mark Hanson

Absent: Abe Fisher

Citizens present: David Allen, Maureen Spada

1. Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Chair, Lisa Bergen

2. The minutes:

The minutes of the July 26th meeting were approved.

3. Correspondence: Ms Bergen reported that the TAC had received a letter from the Town Agricultural Committee expressing concern about the possibility of using either the Strawberry Hill land or the Burke land for bus parking as these are both in agricultural use. The TAC has also received a letter from Lissa McKinney sent originally to the Superintendent and signed by several other people expressing concerns about the high school process.

4. Chairs report: Ms Bergen reported that the Town House would be available for the hearings on Aug 16th and September 13th if we would prefer to meet there. It was decided that the Town House would be a better venue particularly if it becomes possible to record it for Cable TV. Ms Bergen will look into this. Since the prime purpose of the hearing in addition to giving the results of our research so far is to elicit questions from those attending, it will be important to get the name and the substance of the questions. A recorder will be needed so members will seek volunteers. Ms Bergen will post the change of venue on the Town calendar and send notices to the papers. When he returns, Mr Fisher will be asked to make the changes on the Yahoo sites and other members will inform interested parties of the change.

5. Citizens Comments: Ms Spada suggested the use of a recording device which may be borrowed from the school and would make getting a live recorder unnecessary. Both options, human and mechanical, will be explored.

6. Reports and Issues for Discussion: Most of this time was occupied by mastering the projector and reviewing the slide presentation. Several suggestions were made as to items which should be added and members will update their slides before the next meeting if possible. There are still matters to be further explored, Ms Damon is continuing to get estimates of the cost of replacing the transportation building. It was suggested that get for estimates for buildings with, 2, 3 and 4 bays. It will be important to note that these are only estimates not actual bids although her slides and report will show what the estimates cover.

Mr Anderson and Mr Hanson will continue to look at overall costs of transportation. It was pointed out that the cost of the transportation building is actually a very small part of the whole. Mr Bruttomesso

will do further research in regard to the school bus role is own emergency procedures. Ms Haldeman will seek information about post employment benefits for transportation employees. Ms Bergen will update site research using TAC's information. The CCHS site will continue to be considered by the CTC as well.

In addition to slides, various tables etc. may also be needed. Since there is no perfect site, the pros and cons of each will need to be delineated. The committee will meet once more before the August 16th hearing.

7. **Citizens Comments:** Mr Allen suggested that the number of words on each slide be kept to a minimum as the audience should concentrate on the accompanying narrative.
8. **Adjournment:** As the custodian of the Harvey Wheeler Building was on his well deserved vacation the committee adjourned at 9:15 in order to restore the meeting room to its pre-meeting state and see that the building was securely locked. All members and guest participated in the cleanup

Respectfully submitted,
Louise S. Haldeman, clerk