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Transportation Commission

Minutes

January 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Present: Frank Caputo, Sean Gingery, Frank Ronzello, Robert Flanagan Absent: Mary Fortier

Meeting called to order: 6:10 PM

Approval of Minutes: January 28, 2020 minutes- awaiting copy for approval.

### Old Business:

Bike Path Rockwell to Memorial Blvd, still awaiting info from Parks/Rec. No Thru Truck Rules, 3-way Stop Signs, Umbrellas at Bus Stops for Passengers discussion.

### New Business

- Frank Caputo Motion for Sean Gingery to take over as Chair, seconded by Frank Ronzello. Approved.
- Frank Ronzello requests making transportation brochure for elderly to include phone numbers of important transportation items since many elderly don't have internet, smart phones etc. Eric Rosengren of Bristol Talks offers their Facebook page.
- Redstone Hill Traffic issues
- City Applied for Grant for a Bus Shelter by DeLorenzo Towers (\$20,000) stated Robert Flanagan.
- Sean Gingery report on the Farmington Canal Trail to New Haven. 45 miles Avon to New Haven. Only area to access for Bristol is the Robertson Avenue parking area. Plainville is connecting to this
- Sean addresses new businesses on Rte 6 Traffic Patterns-PopEyes Drive-Thru and its impact. Who is the new traffic officer and will they participate in these calls? Robert Flanagan to reach out to PD directly.
- Suggested by Frank Caputo that this Committee should include younger and more diverse members.
- Meeting dates for 2021 needs approval at next meeting

### Public Participation: Jeffrey Caggiano

- What is meeting schedule? (Review Transportation page on City website).
- Who's City Council contact for this Commission?
- Birchwood Estates-received complaints from elderly on too many buses in that area which also brings pollution.
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- Empty Buses on the weekends, how to optimize, which lead to a discussion on Bus Routes, Fast Track and utilization of same. Sean Gingery addresses concerns over weekend “empty” buses and all buses and the routes and ridership. State Transportation Data for 2020 no changes due to pandemic. To be reviewed further.
- Bike Path Status
- Discussion on Rail lines and the ability to get people downtown.

Motion to adjourn: Frank Ronzello, seconded by Sean Gingery

Meeting adjourned: 6:49 PM

Next meeting: April 27, 2021 at 6:00 PM, to be held virtually via Zoom. Notification will be provided on the City of Bristol Website under Agenda’s & Minutes.