

## Public Transportation Committee

### Minutes

7/10/13

Present: Jamin Carroll (VATCO), Tom Narrigan (SATCO), Dana Roscoe (PVPC), John Norton, Leslie Stein

Guests: Tom O'Brien from Holyoke, Nichole Rohan of PVTA, Boris Palchik of Nelson Nygaard, and Owen Mohan and John Schluenz of Jackson Street

Public Comment: John Schluenz of 202 Jackson Street said that he lives at the corner of Jackson and Gleason streets and objected to having a bus stop sign in front of his house. After some discussion, the committee agreed to go forward with a sign on the other corner of Jackson and Gleason.

Minutes of 6/12/13 were approved.

Discussion of PVTA Comprehensive Service Analysis: Boris Palchik explained the purpose and focus of the Comprehensive Service Analysis, and reviewed some of the preliminary information gathered about bus routes in the northern tier and possible options for change.

Progress on signage: Jamin Carroll reported that Phase 4 is in the Trench Permit process, and that bus stop coming signs for Phases 5 and 6 will be placed soon.

Parking spaces for articulated buses: Jamin Carroll reported that Ned Huntley of DPW reviewed the bus stops at the Academy of Music and across the street at Masonic St with Jamin. They agreed to try use of the articulated buses on the Academy side without taking a parking space at this time and revisit the issue if there is a need. They also agreed that the bus stop across the street should be moved back to the Masonic Street corner and Ned will write the ordinance. He will also write an ordinance for the bus stop in front of the Post Office.

New Business: Leslie Stein reported that she had told the Mayor that she would no longer be able to be his designee on the PVTA Board, and would therefore not be a member of the Parking and Transportation Commission effective in September.

