TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL 7 MAIN STREET - WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588 November 23, 2015 AT 7:00PM

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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- I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES A. November 9, 2015 [Executive Session]
- II. PUBLIC HEARINGS: B. 7:05 PM: Massachusetts Electric Company / Petition for new Pole and Pole Relocation (Pollard Road): N'Grid requests to relocate pole # 8 to clear the Kinder Morgan Tennessee Gas Line and install pole # 8-50 for line span and relocate pole # 9 also for line span. Present: Crystal Tognazzi
- III. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:
- IV. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/INPUT

Local Business Spotlight: Little Man Originals - Present: Christine Guanipa, Proprietor

V. DECISIONS

- C. Pine Grove Cemetery / Vote to accept American Flag donated by Mary Bedoian
- **D.** Friendly Discount Liquors, Inc. d/b/a Friendly Discount Liquors [Sook L. Huynh, Mgr.] / Request to pro-rate the Annual Liquor License fee
- E. Pine Knoll Sub-division / The Board of Selectmen shall vote to: 1) Approve the agreement for donation of funds with Aris Group, LLC in connection with the Planning Board's September 22, 2015 modification of the Special Permit for the Pine Knoll Senior Living Development and 2) To approve the Planning Board's expenditure of the donated funds for the purpose of the preparation of a Housing Production Plan and an Open Space & Recreation Plan for the town.
- F. Winter Parking Ban [December 1, 2015 to April 1, 2016] / Vote to approve

VI. DISCUSSIONS

- G. National Park Designation / Present: Kenneth Warchol, Meghan Kish, Superintendent, and Jennifer Smith, NPS Director
- H. Aldrich School Fence / Present: Kenneth Warchol, Chairman of Northbridge Historic Commission

VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

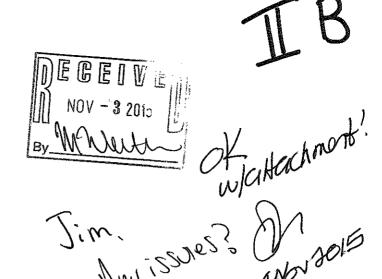
- I. 1) Aggregation Bid Results
 - 2) Veterans Day Services
 - 3) Stormwater Update
 - 4) WRTA Bus Program
 - 5) Senior Center Luncheon
- VIII. SELECTMEN'S CONCERNS
- IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA
- X. CORRESPONDENCE
- XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Web: Post time-stamped copy	Ø

nationalgrid

November 3, 2015

Town of Northbridge Board of Selectmen 7 Main Street Whitinsville, MA 01588



To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a petition of NATIONAL GRID, covering NATIONAL GRID pole location(s)

If you have any questions regarding this permit please contact:

Angela Birch 401-784-7726

Please notify National Grid's Angela Birch of the hearing date / time at 401-784-7726 or angela.birch@us.ngrid.com

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to:

National Grid Contact: Angela Birch; 280 Melrose Street; Providence, RI

Very truly yours,

Eric Widman, Engineering Supervisor, Distribution Design

Widman

Enclosures

Board of Solect men

PETITION FOR POLE RE-LOCATIONS

4 Installation of new pole

October 14, 2015

To the Board of Selectmen Northbridge, Massachusetts

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY requests permission to relocate poles, wires and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures along and across the following public way:

Pollard Road

NGRID request to relocate Pole #8 to clear the Kinder Morgan Tennessee Gas Line and install Pole #8-50 for line span and relocate Pole#9 also for Line Span.

Wherefore it asks that it be granted a relocation for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said pole to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked:

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

Plan No. 19503565

Dated:

08/14/2015

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such pole and buildings as said petitioner may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioner agrees to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, telephone and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used exclusively for municipal purposes.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

Manager of Distribution Design

ORDER FOR POLE RE-LOCATIONS

Y Installation of new pole

October 14, 2015

By the Board of Selectmen Northbridge, Massachusetts

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

that MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY be and they are hereby granted relocations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protective fixtures as said Company may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Company dated the

14th day of October, 2015

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:—
Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonably straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked—

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

Plan No. 19503565 Dated 08/14/2015

There may be attached to said pole by MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY not to exceed twenty wires and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than eighteen feet from

The following are the public ways or parts of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected, and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:--

Pollard Road

NGRID request to relocate Pole #8 to clear the Kinder Morgan Tennessee Gas Line and install Pole #8-50 for line span and relocate Pole#9 also for Line Span.

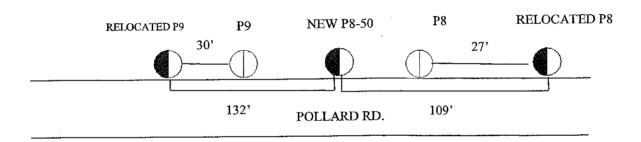
Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the

Nove	mber 23	2015		
			James At	rhangClerk of Selectmen
		CER	TIFICATE	
I hereby	certify that the	oregoing is a true copy of	f a relocation order adopted	d by the
Town,	Book:	2015 and recorded with, Page:	th the records of location or	rders of said
		de under the provisions on dments thereof.	f Chapter 166 of General	Laws and any
			Attest:	
				Town Clerk

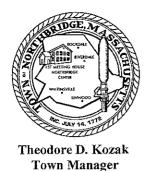
I hereby certify that on Mo	nday November 23, 2 Hall a public hearing was held on	o'clock, P.M.,
MASSACHUSETTS ELEC		•
for permission to erect the po I mailed at least seven days be each of the owners of real est	oles, wires and fixtures described in the before said hearing a written notice of thate (as determined by the last preceding which the Company is permitted to ere	the time and place of said hearing to ng assessment for taxation) along the
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	Selectmen of the Town of	,
	CERTIFICATE	
		and certificate of hearing with notice
adopted by the	of the Town of	
Massachusetts, on the	day of	, and recorded with the
records of location orders of	provisions of Chapter 166 of General	Laws and any additions thereto or
amendments thereof.		
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	Attest:	Town Clerk





Petition Legend: Existing JO Pole New JO Pole Job Description: National Grid to relocate P8 to clear the Kinder Morgan Tennessee Gas Line and install P8-50 for line span and relocate P9 also for line span. To the: Town Of: Northbridge For Proposed: Equipment Location: Pollard Rd. Drawn By: M. Millette

DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE



TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL 7 MAIN STREET

WHITINSVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS 01588
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NOTICE

November 4, 2015

To: Abutters

National Grid/Angela Birch

In conformity with the requirements of Section 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) you are hereby notified that a **Public Hearing** has been scheduled for **Monday, November 23, 2015 at 7:05 PM**, at the Northbridge Town Hall, Selectmen's Room, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA based upon the petition of Massachusetts Electric Company, dated November 3, 2015, for permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Company may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways:

Pollard Road

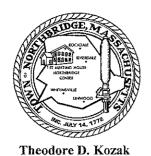
National Grid request to relocate Pole #8 to clear the Kinder Morgan Tennessee Gas Line and install pole #8-50 for line span and relocate pole #9 also for line span

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked--Massachusetts Electric Company.

Plan No. 19503565 dated August 14, 2015.

NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN James Athanas, Clerk

Mjw



Town Manager

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

November 3, 2015

TO:

Jennifer Cecconi, Assistant Assessor

FROM:

Melissa Wetherbee, Administrative Assistant

SUBJECT:

Abutter's List

I hereby request an abutter's list for the following purpose and location:

MASSACHUSETSS ELECTRIC COMPANY:

Pollard Road

National Grid requests to install a mid-span pole #8-50 to shorten span length

Enc.: Petition

Map

Abutters to include: all owners of real estate abutting upon that part of the way upon, along, across or under which the line is to be constructed, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

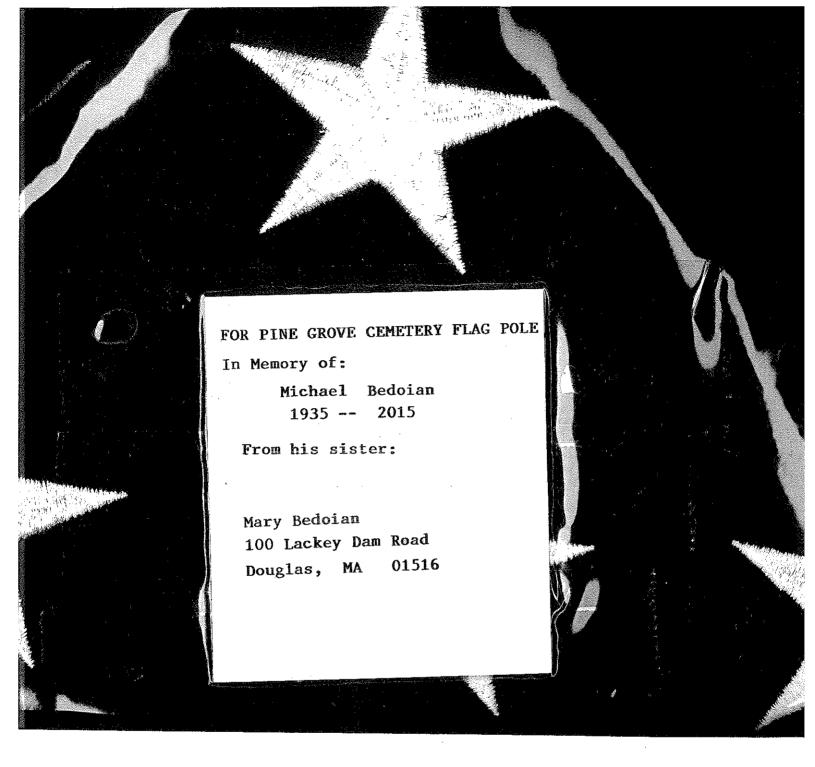
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ROBY SHAWN P JULIE ROBY, TE 196 POLLARD RD NORTHBRIDGE, MA 01534

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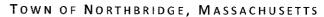
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AGENDA ITEM E: PINE KNOLL



MOTION:

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SHALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT FOR DONATION OF FUNDS WITH ARIS GROUP, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PLANNING BOARD'S SEPTEMBER 22, 2015 MODIFICATION OF THE SPECIAL PERMIT FOR THE PINE KNOLL SENIOR LIVING DEVELOPMENT AND TO APPROVE THE PLANNING BOARD'S EXPENDITURE OF THE DONATED FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PREPARATION OF A HOUSING PRODUCTION PLAN AND AN OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN FOR THE TOWN.





COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

R. Gary Bechtholdt II, Town Planner 7 Main Street Whitinsville, MA 01588 Phone: (508) 234.2447 Fax: (508) 234.0814

gbechtholdt@northbridgemass.org

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 17, 2015

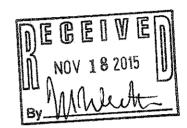
To: Chairman Thomas J. Melia Board of Selectmen

Theodore D. Kozak, Town Manager

From: R. Gary Bechtholdt II, Town Planner

RE: APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT & ACCEPTANCE

Aris Group, LLC -Pine Knoll Special Permit



Arrangements have been made for the Board of Selectmen (November 23, 2015) to consider the approval of agreement and acceptance of monetary donation from Aris Group, LLC in accordance with Planning Board Special Permit decision [September 22, 2015] for Pine Knoll Senior Living Development; copy of which was provided previously.

Accordingly the Owner/Applicant (Aris Group, LLC) shall provide the Town with a one-time monetary donation (in the amount of \$125,000.00) in exchange for and in lieu of three (3) affordable housing units waived by the Zoning Board in Variance decision [12-V-2014] issued for the Pine Knoll Senior Living Development.

As prescribed in the Planning Board Special Permit decision funds shall be used for 1) the preparation of a Housing Production Plan; 2) the preparation of an Open Space & Recreation Plan and 3) other planning related studies and/or initiatives deemed appropriate by the Planning Board.

Town Counsel has formalized the Agreement (attached hereto) based upon the Planning Board's Special Permit decision.

The Board of Selectmen shall vote to approve the Agreement for Donation of Funds with Aris Group, LLC in connection with the Planning Board's September 22, 2015 modification of the Special Permit for the Pine Knoll Senior Living Development and to approve the Planning Board's expenditure of the donated funds for the purpose of the preparation of a Housing Production Plan and an Open Space & Recreation Plan for the town.

Pursuant to MGL CH 30B [Uniform Procurement Act] the Town shall engage the services of Karen Sunnarborg, consulting services (in the amount of \$9,500.00) for the preparation of a Housing Production Plan and engage the services of Beals and Thomas, Inc. consulting services (in the amount of \$42,000.00) for the preparation of an Open Space & Recreation Plan.

If you should require additional information or have any questions please contact the Planning office.

Cc: Planning Board

/File

AGREEMENT FOR DONATION OF FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

This Agreement is between Aris Group, LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company with an address of 100 Church Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588 (hereinafter, the "Company"), and the Town of Northbridge, a Massachusetts municipal corporation acting by and through its Board of Selectmen, with an address of Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588 (hereinafter "Town").

WHEREAS, the Company is the owner of property in the Town of Northbridge on which has been constructed a so-called Senior Living Development condominium project pursuant to a special permit issued by the Northbridge Planning Board and dated January 8, 2002 (the "Special Permit"); and

WHEREAS, the Special Permit included a requirement that three (3) units within the condominium be maintained as affordable housing units, subject to the terms thereof (the "Affordable Housing Condition") and

WHEREAS, the Company has obtained from the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals, in Case No. 12-V-2014, a variance which has removed the Affordable Housing Condition, subject to the further condition that the Company "buy out" the Affordable Housing Condition by means of a payment in support of affordable housing measures within the Town of Northbridge (the "Variance"); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board, by decision voted on September 22, 2015, has approved a modification of the Special Permit to reflect the relief granted by the Variance; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Planning Board have agreed upon the terms under which the Company will make the payment contemplated by the Variance;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The Company agrees to make a donation to the Town in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000), representing a payment in lieu of maintaining 3 affordable housing units as prescribed by the Affordable Housing Condition (the "Fund"). The donation is being made concurrently with the Company's execution and delivery of this Agreement to the Town, and is to be used by the Town for the purposes described herein.
- 2. The Treasurer of the Town shall hold the Fund in a separate account, to be expended by the Planning Board, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, without further appropriation pursuant to G.L. c.44, §53A for the purposes of (1) preparation of a Housing Production Plan; (2) preparation of an Open Space & Recreation Plan for the Town; and (3) such other planning related studies and/or initiatives as are determined by the Planning Board to be appropriate. Permissible use of the Fund shall include the hiring and payment of a consultant(s) to perform services for such purposes.

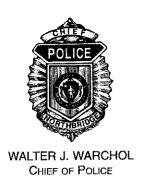
- 3. The Fund shall be used at the Town's discretion, as determined by the Board of Selectmen in consultation with the Planning Board, to carry out the purpose of this Agreement.
- 4. This Agreement is intended to delimit how the Fund may be used, and is not to be construed as obligating the Town to take any particular action.
- 5. This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors, assigns, administrators and executors, and may be amended by a writing signed by all parties.
- 6. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to conflict of laws principles.

EXECUTED as a sealed instrument as of the day of, 2015.
ARIS GROUP, LLC
By: Dinogin
Name: Ud Sets TS. Mas Manager
TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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CERTIFICATE OF TAX COMPLIANCE

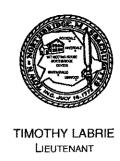
(Pursuant to G.L. c. 62C, §49A(b))

Pursuant to Chapter 62C of the Massachuse	etts General Laws, Section 49A(b), I,
Odisets Ts. mogranus	_, authorized signatory for
	do hereby certify under the pains and
penalties of perjury that said Contractor has compli	ied with all laws of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts relating to taxes, reporting of employ	yees and contractors, and withholding and
remitting child support.	
	Authorized Signature
	Od. S. fs Tsimogiannis Name
	MANAGER, ARIS Group, LLC



TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

1 HOPE STREET, WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588 www.northbridgepolice.com TEL (508) 234-6211 • FAX (508) 234-9021



The all night parking ban for the Town of Northbridge will go into effect on December 1, 2015 and continue through April 1, 2016. The April 1st date may be extended if weather conditions make it necessary. The ban is effective from 1:00 am. to 6:00 a.m. The ban is applicable to all streets in the Town of Northbridge with the following exceptions:

ON THE EVEN NUMBERED SIDE:

D Street

High Street

Linden Street

Main Street from Buma Square to Border Street

Maple Court

Overlook Street

Upper High Street from #66 to #100

Water Street from Main Street to gate at the Shop yard entrance

Johnston Ave. from Brook Street to the end of Johnston Ave @ dead end

Upper Border Street from D Street North

ON THE ODD NUMBERED SIDE:

East Street from Johnston Ave to Christian Church parking lot

Forest Street

Johnston Avenue from Church Street to East Street

Pine Street

Prospect Street from Cottage Street to Church Street

Water Street from gate behind Fire Station to bottom of hill, 20 feet

North of fire hydrant

Granite Street from #23 Granite to East Street

Violators of the ban will be tagged and if interfering with snow removal operations will be towed at the owner's expense.

Walter J. Warchol Chief of Police

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – November 23, 2015

- 1) <u>Aggregation Bid Results</u> Attended the bid opening for the electricity aggregation, which involves 23 communities. The low bid by Con Edison came in at 9.49 cents and will go into effect in January for 24 months, for comparison purposes, National Grid's winter rate is 13.1 cents.
- 2) <u>Veterans Day Services</u> Attended Veterans Day services and the dedication ceremony for Cpl. John Dawson. Despite the bad weather the event was well-attended and beautifully done by the Trustees of Soldiers' Memorials.
- 3) <u>Stormwater Update</u> Attended a Regional Stormwater meeting and discussed plans for next year's EPA requirements and bylaws for the group to work together on proposal requirements by the government.
- 4) WRTA Bus Program The WRTA provided the Town with updated ridership numbers and it shows that the program is still picking up passengers so they will continue to go forward with the bus program.
- 5) <u>Senior Center Luncheon</u> Attended a luncheon sponsored by Senator Michael Moore and the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce. They served a turkey dinner and dessert to over 100 people, which was a large increase over last year.

Ted Kozak

I.H.

From:

Jonathan Church < jchurch@cmrpc.org>

Sent:

Monday, November 16, 2015 5:03 PM

To:

tkozak@northbridgemass.org; ssusienka@northbridgemass.org;

gbechtholdt@northbridgemass.org

Subject: Attachments: Route A and B Shuttle Ridership - December 2013 to October 2015

Routes A and B - Ridership Line Graphs - Dec 2013 to Oct 2015.pdf

Ted, Gary and Sharon,

Enclosed are the WRTA Routes A and B monthly ridership numbers since service began (December 2013-October 2015).

Total Ridership by Passenger Boardings

Month	# of Weekdays	Route A	Route B
r		68	69
December 2013	21		
January 2014	21	77	97
February 2014	20	120	129
March 2014	21	218	209
April 2014	22	226	206
May 2014	21	229	269
June 2014	21	264	298
July 2014	22	293	365
August 2014	21	353	339
September 2014	21	363	444
October 2014	23	297	501
November 2014	19	241	370
December 2014	22	261	330
January 2015	20	138	286
February 2015	19	167	231
March 2015	22	255	432
April 2015	22	251	446
May 2015	20	261	347
June 2015	22	285	369
July 2015	23	311	419
August 2015	21	279	307
September 2015	21	285	432
October 2015	22	289	537

Of the two routes, Route B has more riders than Route A. However, Route B provides more hours of service per day than Route A, so between the hours of 9am and 5pm, both Route A and B are providing service along Route 122, Church Street and Main Street. Because Routes A and B provide different destinations (A to Blackstone Valley

Shoppes and B to MBTA Station and Stop and & Shop), ridership will vary based on times of day and purpose of trip (work, school, shopping, etc.)

Ridership has fluctuated at different times of the year on both routes. For example, ridership was higher in September and October 2014, but dipped in November and December 2014 likely due to holidays and vacation times. Also, you'll note that ridership dropped considerably in January and February 2015 and re bounded slowly beginning in March 2015. This was a system-wide trend that was due to the harsh winter of 2015. However, ridership continued to increase with the improved weather and has remained relatively flat for Route A since then, but Route B saw its highest ridership for the month ever!

Now that he service has bene operating for almost two years, we have seen that the service is growing, albeit slowly. However, this service was not expected to be a large carrier of people but provide service to those who need it. Clearly, the ridership numbers are showing use. Going forward, we (CMRPC/WRTA) would like to do ridership surveys to find origin and destination results, as well as do random passengers counts to determine times of day people are using the shuttles. With this data, would be better suited to recommended service adjustments, if desired.

Is this information that you would like to continue to receive monthly, or would it be better to send it to you quarterly. Also, if the Selectmen would like an update on the shuttles, I would be happy to come to their meeting and make a presentation.

Best regards, Jonathan

Jonathan E. Church, AICP

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