# **Westport Transit District Directors' Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, April 9, 2013 – Westport Town Hall – Room 102

# **Attending**

Westport Transit District Directors: Eugene Cederbaum and Jennifer Johnson; Norwalk Transit District: Louis Schulman.

#### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 A.M. The minutes of the previous meeting held on March 12, 2013 were approved.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

There was a discussion of bus shelters. While the Directors recognize shelters as a need, they felt that the District does not have the resources to pursue the matter, and that the issue required a champion to pursue it further. It will be brought up at a meeting with the RTM Transportation Committee.

## **Town Budget Status**

The Directors indicated that they have forwarded a letter to the First Selectman indicating their desire to pursue marketing funds that were not approved by the Board of Finance. They will go to the RTM in May to request the funds.

## **Marketing**

Mr. Schulman said that he has requested the list of those on the railroad station parking permit waiting list from Chief Call. The Norwalk Transit District's staff will produce a letter and schedule information to send out to local residents on the list.

Ms. Johnson said that at the next meeting she would like a briefing on the current routes, would like to look at the web-site together and gain a better understanding of how dispatching operates. Mr. Schulman suggested that could all be done after the MPO meeting scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Ridership**

Mr. Schulman said that he did not have any ridership information for the meeting. The data will be provided before the next meeting.

#### <u>Other</u>

Ms. Johnson asked for a copy of the Directors and Officers insurance policy. Mr. Schulman said he would get copies for the Directors.

Ms. Johnson also asked for a copy of the updated route map. Mr. Schulman said he would get it for them from Barbara Occhino who produced it.

Mr. Cederbaum asked about the District's fares. Mr. Schulman said he would provide a breakdown by service as well as a copy of the fare policy.

There was also a discussion about providing bus service to the Fourth of July fireworks at Compo Beach. Mr. Schulman pointed out that the District cannot generally provide such services but if it were a marketing project the District might be able to provide the service.

Ms. Johnson asked that the Directors receive of copy of the Municipal Dial A Ride grant request each year. Mr. Schulman said that would be done.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted, Louis Schulman, Administrator Norwalk Transit District