

Transportation Team

October 28, 2010

Members Present: Chris Huck, Elery Keene, Jim Wood, Linda Woods

1. Penny was not in attendance because she is meeting with a landowner about the Park & Ride. Hopefully all goes well, and a Park & Ride will soon become a reality in Waterville.
2. KVCAP has the new buses! just added the logo and soon to obtain two-way radios (combined with text messaging capacity & GPS)
3. Chris: New cell phone towers have to give coverage to public service communications. They may not do this with older towers. Jim will look into this.
4. Jim: working with Hussey Communications System which will cover the entire rural area serviced; entirely digital system which cuts down on cross talk
5. Service from Augusta to Waterville is coming soon.
6. Jim distributed a schedule for inner Waterville, Augusta & beyond
7. Linda will distribute these with the reusable bags.
8. working with woman at Maine Care in Augusta to set up a shuttle to parking lots & downtown commuter shuttle
9. Publicity coming.
10. Jim met with Mike Roy about a kick-off celebration. Asking for municipal funding.
11. Chris: Bus stop in Concourse? Seeking funding from Livable, Sustainable Communities Grant
12. Chris: signage? Jim: sign in development with logo & schedule
13. Elery: Will this occupy land space? He remembers that part of urban renewal stated that if reducing parking lot capacity, need permission from area businesses.
14. Jim: perfect stop would be inside Silver St. Extension across from Club Cancun/ needs to talk to Shannon/ depends on City Council/ currently stops by Dollar Tree
15. discussion about parking in The Concourse
16. Jim: buses have low floor-kneelers with a ramp for accessibility
17. Elery: need a stop near the back of the stores that have entrances through the Concourse
18. Chris: Will it stop for Maine General?
19. Jim: downtown to Maine General to Colby to Washington Ave & Marden's to Pike to new exit to Cancer Center, Career Center, Concord Coach, to UMA, to downtown
20. four round trips a day; soon to be during commuter hours
21. Elery: Doing anything to promote piggy back operations? Would it be worthwhile to ask someone from the railroad to attend a meeting? Chris will contact DOT to get a rail person to attend next meeting. Rosemary might be able to help with this. With a railroad yard, we could be a hub for intermodal activity.
22. Chris: Waterville established an advisory committee to look at interchange at Trafton Rd.

The next team meeting will be **December 9 at 3:30** at KVCOG.