

ADHOC Parking Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 9, 2014
10:00 A.M.

Committee Members Present:

Gardner Bunting, Diane Tingle, Gene Langan, Marc McFaul, Scott Mumford, Merritt Burke, Pat Schuchman

Absent: Gabriel Mancini

Public in Attendance:

Buzz Henifin, Roy Williams, Chris Reda, Molly Thomas, Todd Smallwood, Trish Titus (Coastal Point)

MINUTES:

Gene Langan made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2013 committee meeting seconded by Scott Mumford. All in favor.

DISCUSSION:

Gardner Bunting informed the committee that bayside street striping has been approved by Town Council and will begin in the near future. The consensus of this committee is to not consider parking on northbound/southbound streets.

Merritt Burke went over the possibilities for a municipal shuttle service. He has drafted an RFP for Town Council to consider should they decide to put out such a service for bids.

Discussion continued where Merritt mentioned considering a jolly trolley service with local advertisement. Revenues could be split between the vendor and the Town if desired.

When considering the boundaries for a municipal shuttle service, it was agreed the shuttle would run from Rt. 54 along Rt. 1 to the Chamber of Commerce and would not allow shuttles from outside of Town or this area.

The shuttle would have its staging area at Town Hall and would pick up at individual addresses around Town. Vehicles would not be permitted to park at Town Hall in order to use the shuttle. Hours of operation would be from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. and be extended from Memorial Day until the second weekend after Labor Day.

Pat Schuchman read Chapter 160-10G of the Town Code that refers to "shuttle bus service" and Chief Boyden commented this would not apply for a drop off only as there would be no area dedicated to a shuttle bus service. Diane Tingle added we do have shuttles that come into Town that do drop off on commercial parking lots and then come back to pick up those passengers.

Scott Mumford was in favor of going forward with a municipal shuttle service for the coming season and see how it goes. He stressed the importance of getting the support of local businesses.

Scott made a motion to forward consideration of a municipal shuttle service to Town Council, seconded by Marc McFaul. All in favor.

This committee will ask that Charter & Ordinance Committee review Chapter 160-10G regarding the use of the term "shuttle bus service" for clarification and possible amendment.

NEW ITEMS:

The various parking permits issued from Town Hall was discussed. Merritt Burke reviewed the parking permit revenue and fees from the past year which Scott Mumford felt each were way off, i.e., minimal revenue and exorbitant fees.

The types of materials used for parking permits was discussed and most agreed that a cheaper type of permit should be used. Also, Scott would like to see parking permit consideration for resident merchant employees.

Diane Tingle stated she would like to see discussion of resident merchant employee parking on the agenda of the Special Meeting of Town Council on Friday, January 17, 2014.

Any changes to our current parking permit system would require a review of Chapter 112-5 by the Charter & Ordinance committee and a possible amendment. This will also be forward to that committee for review and discussion.

Scott also brought up the need for a better Town map to be distributed to anyone purchasing parking permits with the possibility of local advertisement. Merritt stated he is moving forward with a design and will have something ready for a future meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

The next ADHOC Parking Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURN:

Diane Tingle made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gene Langan. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.