



## Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Present: C. Dineen, D. Sheehan, T. Maran, M. Scruggs, J. Belkin, N. Palumbo, H. Burgess, T. Neely, V. Taldone

The meeting was called to order at 3:00PM. The May minutes were approved as presented.

Vince Taldone (of FRNCA) spoke during the public portion regarding the bus shelter planned for Flanders Rd @ Oak Ave. The history of the "Southampton" model shelter was discussed as it relates to the County decision to no longer offer these as part of their shelter installation program, despite the Town's commitment to help fund it. Additional information on the alternative shelter designs and the comparative costs will be reviewed at the July meeting.

The South Fork Commuter Connection service was discussed. Ticket sales for the first 3 service months (March-May) were reviewed. Overall LIRR ticket sales on South Fork trains (including SFCC and regular trips) for this time period are triple the sales a year ago.

Shuttle bus ridership is lower than anticipated; many train riders are walking, biking or getting a ride to their final destination.

The Town hopes to meet with the DOT in June regarding the awarded TAP grant for a biking proposal to link Red Creek Park with Good Ground Park and Hampton Bays hamlet center.

The LIRR has indicated it is open to discussing the possibility of a biking/hiking trail within their Right of Way. The composition of a hiking/biking trail (width, materials) was discussed; this would be detailed as part of the design/engineering process wherever one is planned.

N. Palumbo advised that Zagster plans to implement the County bike share program in four Towns on LI this year; Southampton is not currently scheduled for the initial phase.

Members were advised that an electric vehicle (EV) charging station has been installed and is now operational at Ponquogue Beach. Other locations are under evaluation; installing one at the HB LIRR parking lot was suggested.

**The next Commission meeting is scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 3-5PM in the Lower Level Meeting Room.**

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