Members present: Glenn Barrington, Rob Hendry, Jennifer Bennett, Martha Nelson Patrick, Tom O’Donnell, Jon King, Marcie Savoie, Shane Conklin, and Greg Wheeler

Members absent: Niels La Cour, Michael Knodler, Sumera Ahsen, Pam Monn, Ann Carr, Melanie Jaque, Lucas Patenaude, Lily Wallace, Derek Dunlea, and Benjamin Ostiguy

Guests: Ezra Small, Melissa Gamache, Metin Yavuz, and Karin Eichelman

The April minutes was not accepted due to a lack of quorum.

Ezra Small, Valleybike Share:

- Regional bike share program coming to UMass Amherst as well as Springfield, Holyoke, and Northampton.
- Launching in April 2018.
- Benefits predicted for bike share program.
  - Green transportation.
  - Healthy and active living.
  - Extended range of transit services.
  - Creates demand for bike lanes and bike parking.
  - Transportation serving residents with lower income.
    - Easily use cash or alternative, such as a library card.
  - Reduces need for additional parking infrastructures.
  - Promotes jobs.
    - Developing and maintaining the stations.
  - Bewegen was selected as the vendor.
  - 500 Pedelec electric assist bikes.
    - No controls or gears to learn.
  - 50 stations
    - 5 at UMass Amherst.
- Bewegen will be donating money to power the charging stations needed for the assist.
- Glenn – How much do they weigh?
  - Ezra – Not sure exactly. They are heavy, but will not be dragged.
- Glenn – What happens if you take a bike from the UMass campus and bring it town, but the docking station is full?
  - Ezra – A Geo-fence is in place that allows bikes to be locked near a dock. There is an extra one dollar charge in case the bike, later, needs to be found.”
Jon King, Parking Update:

- Four new pay stations to replace the nine year old ones.
  - All pay-by-plate.
  - Allows customers to extend their time through an automated text message sent to the customer.
    - Ezra – What is the max time that a customer can extend?
      - Jon – It is location specific.
  - Easily enforced with mobile License Plate Recognition vehicle.
- The parking garage recently underwent a four million dollar renovation.
  - Three layer coat on decks.
  - Ten year warranty after five year inspection.
  - New fire suppression system signed off on by State and Local fire services.
- Installation of the new automated system has begun.
  - Booth attendants will move to the Costumer Service Office on level 2.
  - Six pay-by-foot stations. One on level two that will accept cash.
  - Exit machines will take credit cards, but it will slow everything down.
  - Martha – How will permit holders be affected?
    - Jon – The hanging permit tags gave a bar code. They will be able to flash it and leave.
  - Tom – Cruisers go in all the time, how will they be affected?
    - Jon – Working on something for the cruisers. There will also be an intercom system that will have someone attending 24 hours a day.
- Pay-by-Cell has seen an increase in usage.
  - Over twenty thousand transactions in a typical month.
  - All yellow lots are opened to ParkMobile.

Glenn Barrington, Transit Update:

- 11 PVTA public hearings held throughout the Pioneer Valley this past summer.
  - Public feedback allowed most UMass Transit Services run routes to remain the same.
  - Ridership decreased by 2.29% in the past fiscal year.
  - New bus shelters installed at Southpoint Apartments and Townhouse Apartments.
  - 101 new bus stop signs were installed this past summer.
  - New HD security camera system installed in all PVTA buses.
    - Proposed plan is for the screens to run advertisements and provide information to our passengers.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:18 PM