

June 2, 2010  
New Bedford City Hall  
133 William Street  
Charles Ashley Room 120  
New Bedford, MA

MINUTES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

PRESENT: MARLENE POLLOCK, JOHN FLETCHER  
ABSENT: TOM CLARK

The meeting convened at 5:45 pm.

Also in attendance was Mayor Lang, City Solicitor Irene B. Schall and Debra Travers, Procurement Officer for the City of New Bedford.

Discussion ensued regarding the four bid packages and other programs. The Mayor asked for a list of programs other than four scheduled regular runs. The list of programs includes late runs, field trips, the physical education shuttle, occupational nursing, sports, music, Sea Lab during the school year, Little Whalers, summer runs (Sea Lab and summer school) Lincoln shuttle and Whaling City ARE late run.

Attorney Schall cautioned the Committee of exposure to bid splitting and what the sealed bid process entails.

It was agreed that programs could be bid out annually as opposed to by semester.

Buses will be no older than five years at the start of each contract year.

The issue of fuel clause was discussed with a range of 10% above or below a base price before overage or credit charges would be imposed.

The time frame for the general bid process is to have the ad into Goods & Services on June 9 to appear on Monday, June 14 in Goods & Services and The Standard Times.

A pre bid meeting would be held on June 21 with the bid opening on June 28.

Special Needs routes would still need to be negotiated after the general bid opening.

There being no further business, the Sub-Committee voted to adjourn at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Lawrence W. Oliveira  
Chief Administrator for Finance & Operations  
Sub-Committee Liaison