NextGen Winooski Public Meeting Minutes
Green Mountain Transit
Tuesday, June 5th 2018 – 9:00AM
CCRPC, 110 W Canal St #202
Winooski, VT 05404

Staff: Jon Moore, GMT Director of Maintenance & Planning; Rachel Kennedy, GMT Senior Transit Planner

Partners: Chapin Kaynor, Board of Commissioners: Williston Representative


The session opened at 9:10AM

Agenda

- Introductions
- Presentation
  - What is NextGen?
  - Recommended Changes by Service Area and Type
  - Route Level Changes:
- Discussion Session

Discussion:

Comment: Lack of sidewalks in Williston make using transit challenging/dangerous
Route 1V – Williston doesn’t run frequently enough/have enough service hours to gain ridership
Advocate to continue operating Route 1V - Williston
Request to run Route 1 - Williston up to Essex Junction

Request to run Route 10 – more and later
Answer: this is included in the NextGen Plan

Advocate to continue operating Route 1V – Williston: UVM employee
Comment that GMT should tweak schedule before eliminating service: need early afternoon service not two buses close together in late afternoon.
Request that GMT look at ridership when UVM is in session
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Request that GMT reach out to Elm Brook and other local schools to see if GMT is service is aligning with their schedules.

Request for signs at DTC to be fixed
Answer: we are working with the vendor to address these issues

Comment on dangerous drop-off across from the Ski-Rack
Answer: this will be addressed in NextGen

Advocate to continue operating Route 1V - Williston
Comment: If we run Williston 1V out and back rather than as a ‘lollipop’ would better serve non-commuters.

Advocate to continue operating Route 1V - Williston
Importance of providing service to those who can’t drive.

Question: How are we doing outreach to senior centers and attracting riders/teaching people use the service
Answer: GMT has a program called Bus Buddies that will go out to communities and do presentations

Comment: Untapped market of riders who work at UVM, GMT should do targeted mailing, especially in light of UVM losing 400 parking spots next year.