



GMT NextGen Public Hearing – Lamoille County

Date: December 6, 2017

Time: 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Place: Copley Hospital, Stevens Conference Room

Staff Present: Chris Loyer, Public Affairs Coordinator

Consulting Staff: Eryn Rosenblum, Planning Associate, Nelson Nygaard

Public Present:

David Yacavone – House of Representatives – Morrisville

Penny Walker-Reem – Central Vermont Council on Aging

Leah Hollenberger – Copley Hospital

Dan Noyes

5:05 Mr. Loyer calls meeting to order

5:07 Roundtable of Introductions

5:11 Ms. Rosenblum begins NextGen Powerpoint presentation

6:07 Ms. Rosenblum completed the NextGen Powerpoint presentation and opened the floor for questions.

6:22 Mr. Loyer closed the meeting

Comments and Questions:

- Would west branch apartments be eliminated?
 - Scenario 1 – Yes to discontinuation of West Branch
 - Scenario 2 & 3 - No West Branch Apartments would continue to be served.
- Ms Hollenberger stated that Stowe family practice reported Westbranch residents are using GMT services to get to medical apts.
- Copley Terrace – survey of residents responded heavily favor bus service
 - Not clear who conducted the survey or if the information was shared with GMT staff
- *Attendees asked to ensure that GMT is listening to the request to continue service to Copley Terrace Apartments.
- According to Mrs. Walker-Reem & Ms Hollenberger Copley Terrace residents cannot make the walk to Washington Highway in incimate whether.



- Will more E&D money be needed if deviated fixed route service were changed to fixed route with a complimentary paratransit service to fill in the gap for non-medical trips?
- How much outreach is done to Copley Terrace & Lamoille View?
 - Property managers do ensure residents are aware of services when they are moving into the facilities according to Ms. Hollenberger
- Attendees felt the Paratransit question NEEDS to be answered before fixed route vs deviated fixed route determination could be made
- Route 108 Mountain Road Shuttle – Added service this year
 - Will Vail open satellite lots in Waterbury to help with demand management in the future as congestion on Mountain Road is at the heart of the issue.
- Mr. Noyes stated: “Interesting that GMT is running increased bus service to richest town in the county but not poorest community of Johnson”
 - Mr. Loyer cited local funding and utilization as significant factors in determining service
- Mr. Yacovone stated that this Public hearing was “helpful” and other attendees agreed