

# TRANSIT SERVICE

Village of Point Edward  
Public Meeting  
July 27, 2010  
4 p.m.

# ADVANTAGES

- Provides a method of transportation available to all residents and businesses;
- Used by others for transportation to work or school, to services available in Point Edward or to other attractions in the Point;
- Provides access from Sarnia to local businesses;
- Maintains independence for seniors;
- Low cost for riders;
- Reduces environmental impact – less cars

## DISADVANTAGES

- Escalating costs –an increase from \$172,244 in 2006 to \$189,431 in 2009 (10%);
- Declining ridership – decrease from 27,250 in 2006 to 24,038 in 2009 (-13.4%);

# VILLAGE INITIATIVES TO INCREASE RIDERSHIP

- Survey taken to determine needs of riders;
- Change of route to accommodate riders from Venetian Blvd. – Hotels, Blue Water Bridge Canada, Bridgeview Marina and Casino;
- Village residents are able to purchase monthly passes and tickets for ½ of the normal cost

# SARNIA TRANSIT INITIATIVES

- Bicycle Carriers at front of each bus;
- Transit Accessibility;
- Counters to determine numbers of riders entering at each stop;
- Google Transit available by end of August to allow riders to go on-line to determine route and bus to be taken
- No HST on Transit fares

# OPTION #1 – STATUS QUO

## Monday to Friday

- 6:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. – 30 min. interval;
- 9:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. – 60 min. interval beginning at 10:15 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.;
- 2:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. – 30 min. interval

## Saturday

- 8:15 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval

## NOTE:

- Off-peak times during weekdays and Saturdays have previously been reduced to 60 min. frequency.

2009 COST  
(less grant)

\$189,431  
(\$24,392)

**\$165,039**

# OPTION #2 – REDUCED HOURS

Eliminate first and last trip of the day, Monday to Saturday

**PRESENT COST**  
(Less Savings)

Monday to Friday

- 7:15 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

\$165,039

(22,588)

\$142,451

Saturday

- 9:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Not Included

Revenue loss;  
Reduction to grant

# OPTION #3 – FURTHER REDUCTIONS

Start off-peak service ½ hr. earlier in the morning and ½ hr later in the afternoon.

**PRESENT COST**  
(Less Savings)

## Monday to Friday

- 6:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. – 30 min. interval;
- 9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval beginning at 10:15 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.;
- 3:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. – 30 min. interval

\$165,039

(18,861)

\$146,178

## Saturday

- No Change  
8:15 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval

Not Included

Revenue loss;  
Reduction to grant

# OPTION #4 – FURTHER REDUCTIONS

Combine Option #2 and #3

**PRESENT COST**  
(Less Savings)

Monday to Friday

- 7:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. – 30 min. interval;
- 9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval beginning at 10:15 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.;
- 3:15 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. – 30 min. interval

\$165,039

(41,500)

\$123,539

Saturday

- 9:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval

Not Included

Revenue loss;  
Reduction to grant

# OPTION #5 – FURTHER REDUCTIONS

Provide hourly service only from Monday to Friday

**PRESENT COST**  
(Less Savings)

Monday to Friday

- 6:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval;

\$165,039  
(75,000)

Saturday

- No Change
- 8:15 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. – 60 min. interval

\$90,039

NOTE:

May not be possible as it will also affect Route 2

Not Included  
Revenue loss;  
Reduction to grant

# OPTION #6 – FURTHER REDUCTIONS

No Service between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on weekdays

**PRESENT COST**  
(Less Savings)

Monday to Friday

- 6:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.;
- 3:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

\$165,039  
(78,650)  
\$86,389

Saturday

- No Change
- – 60 min. interval

Not Included  
Revenue loss;  
Reduction to  
grant

NOTE:

May not be possible as it will also affect Route 2

# OPTION #7

## Eliminate Saturday Service

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**PRESENT COST**  
(Less Savings)

NOTE:

May not be possible as it will also affect Route 2

\$165,039

(17,786)

\$147,253

Not Included

Revenue loss;

Reduction to grant

## OPTION #8 – NO TRANSIT SERVICE

No Transit Service

Savings:

Transit	\$165,039
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NOTE:

The cost of the Care-A-Van service for 2009 was \$25,440 which is under a separate agreement.

# SUMMARY OF COSTS

#1 – Status Quo	\$165,039
#2 - Eliminate first and last trip of the day, Monday to Saturday	142,451
#3 - Start off-peak service ½ hr. earlier in the morning and ½ hr later in the afternoon	146,178
#4 - Combine Option #2 and #3	123,539
#5 - Provide hourly service only from Monday to Friday	90,039
#6 - No Service between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on weekdays	86,389
#7 - Eliminate Saturday Service	147,253
#8 - No Transit Service	190,479

# PUBLIC INPUT

- This meeting is being held to provide an opportunity for all riders, residents and businesses to provide input on transit service prior to any decisions being made by Council.
- Please ensure that you sign the attendance list and you may provide written comments on the forms provided.
- We request that verbal comments be kept to a maximum of 5 minutes.
- Your input to this process is important to us.



**THANK YOU**

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COMMENTS**



