



COMMUTER RAIL COMMITTEE

Minutes

Thursday, May 09, 2024

- A. **Call to Order:** Rob Scherer (Ashland) called the meeting to order at 2:26 PM
- B. Discussion and possible action with respect to the MBTA's Draft **Capital Investment Program FY25-29**, including providing direction to staff and/or the Capital Budget Oversight Committee with respect to the ferry components of the MBTA's FY25-29 Capital Improvement Program, and authorization to transmit said direction to the Capital Budget Oversight Committee. Alistair Sawers gave the presentation. The new CIP supports the following improvements:
- Fairmount Line:
 - 30-minute service all day all week
 - 20-minute decarbonization service innovation proposal
 - Turn track projects to enable/expand urban rail services using existing diesel locomotives:
 - EJ Corridor- 30 min Beverly service ○ Haverhill Line- 30 min Reading service ○ Lowell: 30 min service ○ Worcester – weekend expansion
 - 30 min zonal express
 - 30 min Framingham local ○ Franklin branch double track service expansion
 - 2 trains per hour to Walpole splitting to Foxboro or Forge Park
 - Double Track project planning ○ Old Colony hourly service (Quincy 20 min service)* ○ EJ Corridor – Beverly 20 min service



- Haverhill Hourly Service
- Four Track (electrification) project ○ Providence Line – Amtrak electrification OF Attleboro Station tracks
 - 30 min electric service to Providence

*Funded for planning only

C. **Adjourn:** Colette Aufranc (Wellesley) moved to adjourn, a motion which Alan Castaline (Brockton) seconded. This motion passed without objection and the meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM.

Note: These minutes were approved by vote of the Committee at its 6/13/24 meeting

Attendees: Committee

Members:

Ashland:	Rob Scherer (Chair)
Belmont:	Roy Epstein
Bridgewater:	Robert Rulli
Brockton	Alan Castaline
Harvard:	Bruce Leicher
Marblehead:	Dan Albert
Marshfield	Greg Guimond
Wellesley	Colette Aufranc (Vice Chair)
Westwood:	Steve Olanoff
Worcester:	Brian Pigeon

MBTA

Alistair Sawers:	MBTA Regional Rail
Ryan Josti:	MBTA Capital Program Development
Brad Woodwort:	MBTA Commuter Rail

