



ROCK COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2018

Call to Order: The meeting of the Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee was called to order by Vice-Chair Joyce Lubben on November 2, 2018 at the Rock County Courthouse, 2nd floor conference room, 51 South Main Street, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Supervisor Norvain Pleasant, seconded by David Hyde, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Bachmeyer, Alexander Brown, Kim Burkhalter, Patty Hansberry, David Hyde, Dave Lowe, Joyce Lubben, T.J. Nee, Supervisor Norvain Pleasant, Joe Scharenbroch, Roseann Tremain

Excused: Lynn Jones, Ryan Schomber

Alternates: Becky Veium

Introduction of New Members: None. The Committee recognized Kim Burkhalter as this was his last meeting as a member of the TCC.

Introduction of Visitors: Also present were Ryan Schomber, Karl Schulte, Michele Carter, Kim Schauder and Vincent Fisher.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None

Approval of September 14, 2018 TCC Minutes: A motion was made by Joe Scharenbroch, seconded by Mike Bachmeyer, to approve the September 14, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Medical Transportation - Ride Health: No report.

New Business:

I39-90 Stakeholder Advisory/DOT update: Kim Schauder, Project Supervisor for the I-39/90 Expansion Project provided information from the fall newsletter regarding the construction project. She noted that the project is anticipated to be completed ahead of schedule. Michele Carter, Director of Office of Business Opportunity & Equity Compliance for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation shared information regarding stakeholder meetings that were

held to identify economic development opportunities and to facilitate employment opportunities for a diverse workforce. There have been ten classes held to prepare 40 Rock County individuals for road construction jobs. The DOT has held 14 hiring fairs. They would like to partner with the Rock County TCC to further their efforts. TCC members indicated they would like to receive updates several times a year.

Public Hearing: Rock County's Application for Specialized Transportation Assistance Program for Counties (Wis.Stat.85.21): Joyce Lubben opened the public hearing for Rock County's s.85.21 2019 application. No one from the public spoke. Public hearing was closed. Joyce Lubben presented information on the application. Discussion followed regarding the need for increased capacity.

Election of Officers for 2019: A motion was made by Dave Lowe, seconded by David Hyde, to elect T.J. Nee as Chair. Motion carried. A motion was made by Alexander Brown, seconded by Joe Scharenbroch, to postpone elections for Vice Chair until next year. Motion carried.

Transportation Capacity for Rock County Transit: Joyce Lubben reported that Rock County Transit is in a position of turning away requests for transportation for elderly and disabled passengers, particularly in rural areas, due to capacity constraints and scheduling difficulties. She has informed the EVAS Committee of the need to update and add vehicles to the fleet as well as increase the number of drivers. Dave Lowe requested that statistics be kept on how many requests from the general public are not being accommodated and where individuals are needing to go. The EVAS Committee has requested information on how other counties are using their s.85.21 funding.

Change of Meeting Date and Location: Due to increased security at the Courthouse it was suggested that these meetings be moved to an alternate site. The Committee agreed to meet at the Council on Aging office at 8:30 a.m. on the fourth Friday of the odd numbered months.

Member Reports: Kim Burkhalter shared information regarding All Aboard Wisconsin and his search for transportation to the Heartland Ranch.

T.J. Nee reported they completed the annual Transportation Improvement Project document. Their next transportation study will look at coordination within the entire metropolitan area and surrounding areas.

Alexander Brown stated the Janesville Metropolitan Planning Organization has also submitted their annual Transportation Improvement Project. They will begin working on their ADA Transition Plan.

Joyce Lubben reported Jennifer McIlhorne has been hired as the new Mobility Manager. Her starting date is November 5, 2018. The trishaws have been stored for the winter. They were a huge success for the limited time they were out in the public. A new replacement bus is on order for Rock County Transit. Notices for 5310 awards should arrive mid-December.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Alexander Brown, seconded by Joe Scharenbroch, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

Minutes not official until approved by the Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee.