

Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes
Janesville City Hall, Room 416
18 North Jackson Street, Janesville, WI
Friday, March 13, 2015

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Terry Nolan at 8:30 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by T.J. Nee, seconded by Rob Wilkinson, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Roll Call and Introduction of Members:

Present: Jennifer Anselmi, Supervisor Brenton Driscoll, John Hanewall, Patty Hansberry, Lynn Jones, Joyce Lubben, T.J. Nee, Terry Nolan, Ryan Schomber, Julie Seeman, Steve Skelly, Rebecca Smith and Rob Wilkinson

Alternates Present: Joe Scharenbroch

Unexcused: Michelle Gavin, Karl Shulte

Approval of the January 9, 2015 Minutes: A motion was made by Steve Skelly, seconded by TJ Nee, to approve the January 9, 2015 minutes. Motion carried.

Introduction of Visitors: Also in attendance were Dana Schultz, Senior Manager of Facility, Education, Training and Outreach from MTM and Demetrius Jones, owner of You Buy, We Fly.

Citizen Participation, Communication, and Announcements: Ms. Schultz read a statement from MTM corporate office saying, "MTM is committed to meeting the non-emergency medical transportation needs of BadgerCare Plus members across the State of Wisconsin, and we are very interested in hearing the views and perceptions of our service from all stakeholders. I am here today to listen and learn how we can improve our service and access to medical care for all BadgerCare Plus members."

Old Business:

1. **Status of Mobility Manager Position:** Joyce Lubben reported that Brandon Bundy who was to have filled the position of Mobility Manager has not been able to work due to illness. Ms. Lubben introduced Julie Seeman from the Council on Aging. Ms. Seeman and Ms. Lubben will be sharing the Mobility Manager duties in the interim. The same Mobility Manager phone number is still active.

New Business:

1. **Report on Healthcare Transportation Meeting:** Joyce Lubben shared the results of the group brainstorming and the transportation primer prepared by Carrie Porter of GWAAR. Ms. Lubben will be following up with healthcare providers to discuss possible cost-sharing, especially for those non-MA eligible patients. There was also discussion on applying for a \$5,000 grant from the American Public Transportation Association to assist with generating public awareness of,

and community support for, transportation issues. Lynn Jones and Terry Nolan volunteered to assist with the application.

2. TCC By-Laws, Discussion and Possible Approval: The TCC by-laws were discussed and determined they had been approved in April 2013. However, a few changes were suggested. The by-laws will be amended and re-distributed for approval.
3. Discussion on Governor's Budget Proposal: Terry Nolan and Joyce Lubben shared concerns over some items in the proposed 2015-2017 state budget. The budget 1) repeals Complete Streets, 2) cuts the Transportation Alternatives Program, 3) freezes Stewardship Fund for 13 years, 4) increases s.85.21 funds by 1% (a positive item), and 5) increases allocation to MTM by over 14M. Rob Wilkinson made a motion, seconded by TJ Nee, to submit a resolution from the TCC to the County Board for approval regarding these concerns. Chair Nolan called for a special meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 30, 2015 at the Janesville City Hall to approve the resolution.

Sub Committee Reports:

1. Bicycle Pedestrian: Terry Nolan stated that this sub-committee met on February 27, 2015. Discussion centered on the proposed state budget and how this will affect bike and pedestrian access.
2. Personal Mobility: Lynn Jones reported that this sub-committee met on March 11, 2015. They reviewed the TCC plan and noted that Community Action is fully funded in 2015 for low interest car loans. They have been able to shift funding for driver's education. Community Action developed a pilot scholarship program in Evansville for driver's education. They are hoping to be able to provide 20 scholarships this year. They discussed sharing maintenance agreements and felt each provider has differing expectations.
3. Marketing and Outreach: No report.
4. Advocacy: No report

Member Reports: Terry Nolan stated the public hearing on the bike/pedestrian plan will be held in April. Google Transit is in the testing phase.

Jennifer Anselmi reported that they are paying close attention to the proposed state budget and significant changes are proposed for Long Term Care.

Steve Skelly stated that two new vehicles are now on the road. Two others will be going to public auction soon.

Rob Wilkinson stated his membership on the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources Board is expiring as well as his term on their advisory council. It would be nice to continue representation from Rock County. Go to www.gwaar.org for an application.

TJ Nee reported the Beloit Transit Development Plan is nearing completion. Paper and electronic surveys have been conducted.

Rebecca Smith introduced herself as the new Janesville Transit Director.

John Hanewall stated the Developmental Disabilities Board is also keeping a close watch on the proposed budget.

Lynn Jones stated Community Action is in partnership with the Southwest Workforce Development Board for the FoodShare Employment and Training Program. It was noted this will have a positive impact on ridership for the Janesville/Beloit Express.

Future Meeting Dates: The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 30, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in room 416 of Janesville City Hall.

Adjournment: Chair Nolan adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Minutes not official until approved by the Transportation Coordinating Committee.