

# **Dane County**

# Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

# **Specialized Transportation Commission**

Thursday, July 28, 2016

5:15 PM Monona Senior Center, 1011 Nichols Road, Monona, WI

#### **Monona Senior Center**

#### A. Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 5:18 p.m. by O'Loughlin

Others present: Jane Betzig, Fran Genter, Garrett Lee, Theresa Pimental and Nancy Senn

**Present** 7 - JENNIFER HARDESTY, RONN FERRELL, MATT VELDRAN, DENNIS O'LOUGHLIN, PAUL BITTORF, CARL DUROCHER, and PATRICK DOWNING

Absent 2 - DOROTHY KRAUSE, and DEE NASH

#### **B.** Consideration of Minutes

2016 MIN-177 Specialized Transportation Minutes June 23, 2016

Attachments: STC Minutes 062316 Final

A motion was made by BITTORF, seconded by FERRELL, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

 $\textbf{Ayes:} \quad \textbf{7-} \quad \text{HARDESTY, FERRELL, VELDRAN, O'LOUGHLIN, BITTORF, DUROCHER and} \\$ 

**DOWNING** 

Absent: 2 - KRAUSE and NASH

C. Action Items

None

#### D. Presentations

#### Monona Senior Center

1. Monona Senior Center – Pimental handed out and summarized reports from the East Madison Monona Coalition of Older Adults and from the Monona Senior Center. Issues included the need for more RSVP rides to medical appointments, lack of transportation to enable people living in the City of Madison to get to the Monona Senior Center and the need for assistance when older adults move from one residence to another. Pimental said EMMCA and Monona Senior Center staff and participants are very appreciative of county funded transportation services. O'Loughlin asked that EMMCA and Monona Senior Center encourage seniors to volunteer for RSVP

<u>2016</u>

Monona Senior Center Report 072816

**RPT-244** 

Attachments: Monona Senior Center Report 072816

2016 RPT-245 East Madison Monona Coalition Report 072816

Attachments: East Madison Monona Coalition Report 072816

2. Authorizing Dane County Department of Human Services the Coordinator of Transportation Services for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities in Dane County

2016 RES-151 Designating DCDHS Transportation (For Discussion Purposes Only)

Attachments: 2016 RES-151 designating DCDHS trans 072716

Betzig said that Dane County Department of Human Services needs to be formally designated as the coordinator of transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities in order to be eligible for certain grant funds

Motion carried 7-0

Ayes: 7 - HARDESTY, FERRELL, VELDRAN, O'LOUGHLIN, BITTORF, DUROCHER

and DOWNING

Absent: 2 - KRAUSE and NASH

## 3. Transportation Independence Project

Genter said that City of Madison Metro+Plus provides 190,000 rides annually for employment and community activities for individuals with developmental disabilities who receive Medicaid Waiver funding. The City of Madison currently receives \$2.9 million annually to Medicaid Waiver funds to support these services. Based on experiences in other Wisconsin counties, it is believed that when the Family Care program replaces Medicaid Waiver funding in Dane County, the funding to support Metro+Plus will decrease substantially. DCDHS staff are applying for a 5310 grant to develop and implement strategies to promote transportation independence, promote use of mainline bus service, and decrease reliance upon Metro+Plus among people with developmental disabilities. We expect to know by November whether DCDHS will receive grant funding.

4. 85.21 First Quarter Ridership Report 2016

2016 85.21 First Quarter Ridership Report 2016 RPT-222

Attachments: 85.21 First Qtr Ridership Report 2016 STC 072716

 Betzig reported that volunteer driver program use is higher than in recent quarters. Data for other services is similar to prior quarters

5. 5310 First Quarter Ridership report 2016

2016 5310 First Quarter Ridership Report 2016 RPT-223

Attachments: 5310 MM 1st Qtr Ridership Report 2016 STC 072816

Betzig reported the number of calls received at the Dane County

Transportation Call Line and the number of rides directly authorized from the
calls

6. 2017 Transportation Budget

The 2017 Budget Request will be available on August 29th.

August 2016 Meeting Location Badger Prairie Needs Network Center

Betzig confirmed that the meeting will be held at the Badger Prairie Needs Network, 1200 E. Verona Avenue, Verona, which is on the same campus as Badger Prairie Health Care Center nursing home. Downing noted he is unable to attend on August 25 due to a meeting of a county standing committee. Given the likelihood of an ongoing meeting time conflict with his standing committee, Downing asked that STC consider changing its meeting time as part of the August agenda.

# E. Reports to Commission

# 1. Staff Reports

Senn reported that Madison Metro stationed buses at transfer points on July 21 and 22, which were very hot days. This enabled riders to wait in air conditioning at transfer points.

#### F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting is Thursday, August 25.

#### G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

# H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

Members discussed the importance of maintaining existing highways in Wisconsin.

# I. Adjourn

A motion was made by BITTORF, seconded by DOWNING, that this be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Ayes: 7 - HARDESTY, FERRELL, VELDRAN, O'LOUGHLIN, BITTORF, DUROCHER and DOWNING

Absent: 2 - KRAUSE and NASH

Minutes respectfully submitted by Fran Genter and are subject to approval of the commmittee