



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Specialized Transportation Commission

Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

5:15 PM

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A. Call To Order

Staff Present: J Betzig and L Osawa

Others: R Eykholt

Meeting called to order 5:19 p.m.

- Present** 7 - DONALD ASHBAUGH, BEN LYMAN, Supervisor MATT VELDRAN, Supervisor HEIDI WEGLEITNER, SHAR BRUNES, Supervisor MICHELE DOOLAN, and BILL CARTER
- Absent** 3 - JENNIFER HARDESTY, DIANE HARLESS, and Supervisor CARL CHENOWETH

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#)
[MIN-466](#)

MINUTES FROM JANUARY 21, 2021

Attachments: [2021_0121 STC Minutes](#)

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

- Ayes:** 7 - ASHBAUGH, LYMAN, VELDRAN, WEGLEITNER, BRUNES, DOOLAN and CARTER
- Absent:** 3 - HARDESTY, HARLESS and CHENOWETH

C. Action Items

D. Presentations

1. Dane County TimeBank (Lorrie Hurckes Dwyer, Executive Director, and Ryan Eykholt, Transportation Coordinator)

Eykholt described the TimeBank transportation process including criteria for driver selection and types of rides provided. Similar to a volunteer driver program drivers receive mileage reimbursement. The COVID pandemic led to TimeBank transporting food and supplies rather than people. The program will ease back into transporting people using all COVID precautions recommended.

[2020](#)
[PRES-153](#)

DANE COUNTY TIMEBANK LINK

Attachments: [Dane County TimeBank Link](#)

E. Reports to Committee

1. CRRSAA 5310 Funding (Ben Lyman, Transportation Planner, MPO)

Lyman explained the CRRSAA funding is to support projects effective in meeting present transportation needs or growing demand for existing transportation services that assist seniors, people with disabilities and those with limited income. The funding is to support the strain on transportation services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Details regarding the competitive funding process are included.

[2020
RPT-784](#)

CRRSAA 5310 FUNDING MEMO

Attachments: [CRRSAA 5310 Funding Memo](#)

[2020
RPT-785](#)

CRRSAA 5310 FUNDING STRATEGY DRAFT

Attachments: [CRRSAA 5310 Funding Strategy Draft](#)

2. COVID Vaccination Transportation

Betzig predicted that numerous transportation requests to vaccination sites would overwhelm the Dane County Transportation Call Center. A second Call Center was designed to dispatch vaccination rides only. An employee was hired to staff the second Call Center. Call Center guidelines and ride tracking tools were designed. February 4, 2021 through February 18, 2021 111 one-way rides were scheduled.

[2020
RPT-786](#)

VACCINE TRANSPORTATION FLYER

Attachments: [Vaccine Transportation Flyer](#)

[2020
RPT-810](#)

VACCINATION TRANSPORTATION HELP LINE

3. WAMM Legislative Issues

Betzig reported key WAMM State Transportation issues:

- a. Increase in specialized Transportation s85.22 capital and operating funding 20% to assist with operations, replacement or acquisition of new transit vehicles and expanding mobility management services. Funding has remained the same for 10 years.
- b. Legislation be enacted to prohibit insurers from imposing surcharges, increasing rates or refusing to issue a policy solely because someone is a volunteer driver.
- c. Coordination among state and local transportation systems, including the creation of a statutory Transportation Coordination Council.

Betzig, reported key WAMM Federal Transportation Issues:

- a. Raise the charitable driving reimbursement rate for the first time in over 20 years to equal the current standard business mileage.
- b. Increase FTA Section 5310 funding and to continue to allow funds to be used for either capital assistance or operating assistance

[2020
RPT-787](#)

2021 WAMM STATE-FEDERAL PRIORITIES FINAL

Attachments: [2021 WAMM State Federal Priorities Final](#)

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting 3/18/21 virtually starting at 5:15 pm.

To be determined

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

No Public Comment

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

No Other Business

I. Adjournment

A motion was made by LYMAN, seconded by ASHBAUGH, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:38 p.m.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - ASHBAUGH, LYMAN, VELDRAN, WEGLEITNER, BRUNES, DOOLAN and CARTER

Absent: 3 - HARDESTY, HARLESS and CHENOWETH

Meeting respectfully submitted by Jane Betzig