

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

At Fox River Industries

March 12, 2009

9:00 a.m.

Present: Beuthin, Schuh, Guden, Hilger, Neuman, Dissing, Giesen, Bender, Krause

Certification of Open Meeting Law: The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

Call to Order: The meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Bender.

Approval of Agenda: Guden made a motion to approve the agenda. Krause-second. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action on Minutes: After discussion, Krause made a motion to approve the minutes of the 11/20/08 meeting. Guden-second. All ayes. Motion carried.

Appearances: None

Committee Appointments: Giesen reviewed with the Transportation Committee, the members that need to be re-appointed. After discussion, everyone, whose term is expiring, agreed to serve another term on the Transportation Coordination Committee.

85.21 Grant Update: Schuh reported that the rider reports are due this week. Grant funding is expected in May 2009.

5310 Update: Schuh reported that mini van seating option choices are a concern. Schuh has contacted David Lowe regarding changing grant specifications for the next cycle, requesting that the minivan be made available to 5310 grant recipients in its original, nonaccessible version (7 or 8 passenger) to accommodate fixed rural route transportation needs. MPG on 7/1 vans is approximately 10-12 while the minivan is 22+. Significant cost savings are possible if the specifications are changed.

SAFE-TEA LU Update: NWRATC Meetings: Schuh reported that there has been no meeting since the last Transportation Coordination meeting. No updates have been received.

Employment Coalition Meetings: Schuh reported that the least Employment Coalition meeting was cancelled due to weather. Schuh reiterated that transportation remains the biggest barrier to employment for coalition members working with SE consumers.

Marquette County Transportation Coordination Meeting: Schuh reported that there have not been any meetings recently. Bender reported that she remains in contact with Dennis Bohn, Marquette County transportation person regarding issues. It was reported that Waushara and Marquette counties are working on coordinating trips to Madison.

Gas/Repair Costs: Bender reported that the Southern Green Lake County red van is wearing out. Fox River Industries has an extra to borrow to Southern Green Lake County if needed. Schuh and Bender will coordinate. Discussion followed regarding the new vans and options - no is timeline available yet.

Committee Discussion: Bender reported that Southern Green Lake County Transportation is working with an attorney to merge with Southern Green Lake Ambulance. This would be a subsidiary. A public meeting is scheduled with Southern Green Lake Ambulance for April 27, 2009.

There are no updates on a possible transportation merger in the City of Berlin.

Beuthin reported that the Veteran's Service transportation is going okay.

Discussion followed regarding coordination between the Veteran's Service office and 85.21 systems.

Future Meeting Date: The next meeting will be held on September 10, 2009 at 2:00 a.m. at Fox River Industries.

Future Agenda Items for Action and Discussion: Gas/repair costs

Adjournment: Motion by Guden to adjourn; second by Krause. All ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.