



Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2016

Call to Order: Chair Molly Nolte called the meeting of the Transportation Coordinating Committee to order at 8:45 a.m. at the Rock County Job Center in Room D/E.

Committee Members Present: Patty Hansberry, Lynn Jones, T.J. Nee, Terry Nolan, Molly Nolte, Supervisor Norvain Pleasant, Ryan Schomber, Steve Skelly, James Thompson, and Rob Wilkinson.

Committee Members Absent: Joyce Lubben, Mike Warren.

Alternates/Others Present: Dave Lowe, alternate for Karl Schulte, and Joe Scharenbroch, alternate.

Approval of Agenda: T.J. Nee moved approval of the September 9, 2016 agenda, seconded by Steve Skelly. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communication, and Announcements: None.

Approval of Minutes: Terry Nolan moved approval of the July 8, 2016 minutes, seconded by Ryan Schomber. ADOPTED.

Sub-Committee Reports:

1. Advocacy: Molly Nolte explained the updates regarding the Industries for the Blind. The City of Janesville installed curb cuts, crosswalks, and "Yield to Blind Pedestrians" signs at both Woodlane Drive and Kennedy Road locations where Industries clients get off the bus. Terry Nolan added that Industries for the Blind is becoming part of the BJE Consortium and will have direct service effective November 1, and that Industries and their neighbor to the east were in conversations regarding installing a sidewalk on the north side of Newport Ave.
2. Mobility: Terry Nolan reported that the group discussed item 3.2 of the action plan regarding increasing access to affordable automobile and automobile services for smaller providers. There will be some change in language taking place for action items 3.2 and 3.3. The group will also be looking into options for leasing FTA vehicles and vehicle sharing. Lynn Jones will be sharing what Community Action has done as far as driver's education. Mobility will address items 3.4 and 3.5 next time.

Old Business:

Human Services Member Vacancy: Due to Family Care implementation, it is not possible to replace Jennifer Anselmi or John Hanewall at this time. Dave Lowe made a motion to table this topic until November. Seconded by Terry Nolan. All were in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Concrete Slab at Rock County Complex Bus Stop: Through the combined efforts of Molly Nolte, Mike Warren, Doug Keating (retired Rock County), Brent Sutherland (Director, Facilities Management), and Duane Jorgenson (Assistant Director, DPW) the concrete slab at the Health Care Center will be poured as part of the County Road F project in 2016 and the worn out bench be replaced.

Update/Progress on Coordinated Plan Action Items: The committee will work together to convert the PDF version of the Coordinated Plan into a Word document to be edited by each member of the committee based on their progress with each action item as applicable. Molly Nolte will send this rough draft to the membership by September 30, 2016.

Member Reports:

Dave Lowe said Walworth's Shared Ride Taxi program was out for bid and should Running, Inc. receive the bid, service would begin January 1, 2017.

Rob Wilkinson reminded members of the upcoming senior fairs: Rock County is on September 16, Beloit is on October 4, and Evansville is on October 26. The GWAAR biannual meeting will take place September 22-23.

James Thompson said that BTS is implementing their new routes this year with a projected start date of December 27, 2016.

Steve Skelly informed the group that Rock County Transit has purchased a new vehicle that can hold either 14 ambulatory riders at a time, or 3-4 wheelchair riders and 6 ambulatory at a time.

Joe Scharenbroch hopes to attend the biannual MTM/DHS Statewide update meeting at the end of the month in Wausau.

T. J. Nee said SLATS Long Range Transportation Plan is out for public review on the City of Beloit's website. They have also drafted their 4-year Transportation Improvement Plan.

Terry Nolan informed members that the City of Janesville has received nearly \$1 million in grant funding to improve trails in Janesville including a stretch between Sandhill and Rotamer through the greenbelt and the "Town Square" soon coming to the downtown Janesville area. They will be working on their Transportation Development Plan in January.

Lynn Jones said Community Action is working on neighborhood revitalization programs for the east and west sides of Beloit involving youth and young people. Transportation will be a focus to get young people to the programs.

Molly Nolte announced she is resigning from the County on September 30, 2016. She has provided two individual and two group travel trainings for BTS. She provided group training for international exchange students for the Janesville School District and JTS. Wednesday Walks has full momentum this season. The Oct-Dec. AARP classes as scheduled will still be available.

Hedberg Library has a new program called "Senior Moments". The Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place September 10 at Palmer Park, Janesville. Riverfront is hosting a Community Outreach Picnic from 9-12 on September 23.

Future Agenda Items: Update on Coordinated Plan Action Items - Progress

Adjourn: Supervisor Pleasant moved to adjourn at 9:25 a.m., seconded by Patty Hansberry. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Future Meeting Dates: November 11, January 13, 2017

Minutes taken by Molly Nolte

NOT OFFICAL UNTIL APPROVED BY COMMITTEE.