



**AMENDED:**  
**8/12/19**

**ROCK COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
May 17, 2019

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee was called to order by Chairperson Nee on May 17, 2019 at 8:33 A.M. at the Rock County Council on Aging (COA), First Floor Conference Room, 3328 US Hwy 51, Janesville, Wisconsin.

**Roll Call:**

Present: Mike Bachmeyer, Lachel Fowler, Patty Hansberry, David Hyde, Becky Veium, Dave Lowe, Jennifer McIlhone, T.J. Nee, Supervisor Norvain Pleasant, Nikki Wolf, Roseann Tremain

Excused: Alexander Brown, Joe Scharenbroch, Ryan Schomber

Unexcused: None

Alternates: None

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Supervisor Pleasant, seconded by Lowe to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Introduction of Members:** Present members introduced themselves.

**Introduction of Visitors:** Josh Massey, Clay Burdelik, Nick Bloomquist, Michelle ~~Gentle~~ Genthe and Supervisor Kathy Schulz

**Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements:** None

**Approval of March 22, 2019 TCC Minutes:** A motion was made by Lowe, seconded by Bachmeyer to approve the March 22, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**1. Medical Transportation Updates**

McIlhone provided an update that two of six health care professionals from hospital settings in Rock County, replied to a transportation questionnaire. Of the two respondents, Edgerton Hospital was interested in discussing transportation issues.

McIlhone noted that medical transportation in Waukesha County was provided by ProHealth, which has its own fleet of 6-8 vans, and also provides transport to Oconomowoc, Watertown, Jefferson, and Burlington.

## **2. 2019-2023 Rock County TCC Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) – Updates**

McIlhone provided an update on activities and action items Mobility Management has completed that meet the HSTP Plan Strategies.

### **New Business:**

#### **1. Presentation by CarePool**

Josh Massey, Clay Burdelik and Nick Bloomquist of CarePool provided an overview of how they are currently working in Wisconsin with Includa and IRIS. Additional information included: billing, hours of operation (approx. 4am-11pm), technology used, utilization of employees and volunteers to provide rides, long distance travel, accessibility, service animals, driver training.

CarePool noted high positive customer service reviews and savings that will continue as the client base is built up. The Wisconsin School for the Blind was identified as an interested consumer.

The next step for CarePool and TCC would be to establish an interested hospital, and coordinate a meeting to discuss, data gathering, customization of payments, and other related items.

#### **2. Discuss coordination with Health Equity Alliance of Rock County (HEAR), regarding healthcare-related transportation issues**

Michelle ~~Gentle~~ Genthe and Supervisor Kathy Schulz representing HEAR expressed a desire to coordinate health care and transportation. They noted that transportation is a missing link in health care and food access.

HEAR also confirmed with CarePool that multiple children traveling with a family member would not be charged a fee.

#### **3. RSVP - 2019 5310 grant application overview**

Hansberry provided a brief summary of RSVP's 5310 Grant Application. The grant would provide software for drivers and scheduling. Other goals include eliminating their waiting list, and improving out-of-county travel.

**Member Reports:**

McIlhone noted that legislative groups recently created language to block a proposal that would have given states the option to not provide NEMT transportation. McIlhone also noted information from the WAMM conference that some counties are looking to coordinate with second shift employees (factories, fire stations, etc.) to provide volunteer rides home from the hospital later in the evening when there is no available on-demand transportation.

Lachel Fowler noted the continuation of integration and co-location talks between the COA and ADRC.

Mike Bachmeyer noted the Kellogg Route will be coordinated to accommodate the new Human Services location, and recent decline in JTS ridership.

Dave Lowe noted a decline in funding from the State budget while costs remain the same. He noted that there tends to be a trend that when the economy is up, taxi rides decrease but noted an increase over the last year and a half, mostly for non-elderly/disabled consumers.

**Items for Future Agendas:** Review 2019 RSVP 5310 Grant Application

**Future Meeting Dates:** Friday September ~~July~~ 26th, 2019 at the COA Building.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Hyde, seconded by Veium at 10:07 a.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

*Minutes not official until approved by the Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee.*