



Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee MEETING  
Minutes – May 13, 2016

Call to Order. Chair Molly Nolte called the meeting of the 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, Molly Nolte, Supervisor Norvain Pleasant, Ryan Schomber, Karl Schulte, Steve Skelly, Mike Warren, and Rob Wilkinson.

Committee Members Absent: Joyce Lubben, Terry Nolan, James Thompson

Alternates/Others Present: Joe Scharenbroch, Representative Debra Kolste-Assembly District 44, Dana Schultz, Senior Manager of Facility, Education, Training, and Outreach for MTM, Inc., Wanda Maeso, Network Liaison for the Rock County area for MTM.

Approval of Agenda: Rob Wilkinson moved approval of the agenda of May 13, 2016, second by Ryan Schomber. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communication, and Announcements: Rob Wilkinson invited members to the Homeless Intervention Task Force meeting at ECHO in Janesville on May 13, the upcoming Wisconsin Aging Network Aging Advocacy Day at the Capitol on May 18, and the Wisconsin Counties Association Regional Transportation meeting at the Holiday Inn in Janesville on May 26 at 7:30 a.m.

Sub-Committee Reports:

1. **Advocacy:** Molly Nolte reported the Advocacy sub-committee will continue to work on updating an Affiliation Master List. The sub-committee discussed the relocation of Industries for the Blind. Clients are having a difficult time getting to work, affording paratransit, and have concerns about the length of time on the bus. Ms. Nolte will be providing travel training to a Janesville client on May 16 and will assess the situation at that time. In the meantime, committee members will brainstorm for transit alternatives for those experiences difficulties.
2. **Mobility:** Steve Skelly reported the Mobility sub-committee discussed Action Item 3.1 from the Coordinated Plan. Lynn Jones will be looking into tribal funds to possibly be used in the future. Mr. Skelly and Ms. Jones will work on converting the Action Item .pdf into a Word document to be edited and updated more frequently.

Old Business:

MTM Update: Dana Schultz of MTM talked about the recent Dementia Friendly Communities training at their Madison call center. Trainings were done by Cori Marsh, Dementia Care Specialist, on March 23-24

and 120 people were trained. This partnership arose through the July 2015 TCC meeting. Members had positive things to say regarding the relationship between Rock County and MTM. Steve Skelly said Rock County Transit has experienced fewer complaints. Molly Nolte said recent complaints have been matters of miscommunication. Rep. Kolste expressed that her office has been experiencing fewer calls about MTM.

Coordinated Matrix Plan: This item was discussed during the Mobility report.

Human Services Member Vacancy: Due to Family Care, it is not possible to replace Jennifer Anselmi at this time. Ryan Schomber and Joe Scharenbroch recommended appointing someone from the ADRC. It was decided by the group that Ms. Nolte could decide on the member appointment.

Concrete Slab at Rock County Complex Bus Stop: Mr. Skelly explained that JTS buses are not equipped to drop off/pick up wheelchair-bound patrons at the Complex due to the lack of a curb. It was suggested that a concrete slab be poured to fix this issue. Mike Warren will look into who is responsible for the cost of the slab.

#### New Business:

*John Hanewall Resignation:* Ms. Nolte informed the group that John Hanewall resigned from his membership. A motion was made by Steve Skelly to table discussion of Mr. Hanewall's replacement until Family Care has been fully implemented and a new resolution outlining the membership guidelines be written at that time. Karl Schulte seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### Member Reports:

Rob Wilkinson reiterated the information regarding the HITF meeting, the WAN Advocacy Day, and the WCA Transportation meeting.

T. J. Nee advised that there would be a workshop regarding the Beloit Long Range Transportation Plan at the Beloit Public Library on May 23.

Steve Skelly said that Rock County Transit has traveled ten thousand more miles in the first quarter of 2016 than in 2015. Ridership has gone up and RCT now runs 7-8 buses per day instead of 5-6. There are a lot of long trips from the four corners of the county and he pointed out one vehicle covers 250 miles per day moving six people.

Lynn Jones discussed finding more timely transportation options for those participating in training at the Blackhawk Technical College Milton campus. Ms. Jones added on behalf of Terry Nolan that Janesville's Long Range Transportation Plan would be adopted on May 19.

Karl Schulte said Edgerton Taxi has embraced the use of tablet technology which is a big change. He added the busyness has tapered slightly but their numbers were very high last year.

Joe Scharenbroch explained about the uncertainty of Rock County's D. D. Board. Mr. Scharenbroch will be participating in the Veteran's Resource Fair at Blackhawk Technical College and invited members to attend.

Mike Warren said JTS has decided on a video camera vendor and expects installation by early June. Mr. Warren added that JTS will be changing over to "exact fair" on July 18 meaning drivers will not be making change for patrons anymore.

Molly Nolte attended the Community Resources for Latinos meeting in Beloit. She is now an AARP "We Need to Talk" facilitator. There are AARP Smart Driver classes scheduled throughout the summer. Ms. Nolte is now a WI Bike Fed Bicycle Safety instructor and will help with the Janesville Police Dept.'s Bike Rodeo on June 4. She attended the annual WAMM/WRAPP meeting. The Clinton Senior Center and Hedberg Library are trained in the Dementia Friendly initiative. Ms. Nolte attended the Transportation Legislative Day at the Capitol and underwent leadership training through the WCA. She has had another BTS travel training. Ms. Nolte applied for an AmericaWalks Walking College Fellowship and results will be announced May 16. She received the scholarship from RTAP to attend the CTAA Expo in Portland the week of May 23. Wednesday Walks start July 6.

Future Agenda Items: Human Services Replacement, Concrete Slab, Industries for the Blind

Future Meeting Dates: July 8, September 9

Adjourn: Supervisor Pleasant moved to adjourn at 9:45 a.m., second by Karl Shulte. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Minutes taken by Molly Nolte

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