Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes Friday, July 10, 2015

Call to Order: Vice Chair Terry Nolan called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Lynn Jones, seconded by Dave Lowe. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present:

Jennifer Anselmi, Patty Hansberry, Lynn Jones, Joyce Lubben, TJ Nee,

Terry Nolan, Ryan Schomber, Rob Wilkinson, Julie Seeman

Excused:

Supervisor Brenton Driscoll, Michelle Gavin, John Hanewall, Karl Shulte,

Steve Skelly, Rebecca Smith

Alternates Present:

James Thompson, Joe Scharenbroch, Dave Lowe

Introduction of Members: Members introduced themselves.

Approval of the May 8, 2015 Minutes: Vice-Chair Nolan noted a correction, the minutes should read, "DRM has stepped up to the plate...." TJ Nee made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction, seconded by Ryan Schomber. Motion carried.

Introduction of Visitors: Also present were Mark Carmichael, Medical; Molly Nolte; Supervisor Norvain Pleasant; Cori Marsh, Dementia Care Specialist; Addison Vang, City of Janesville; Dana Schultz, MTM; Demetrius Jones, You Buy, We Fly.

Citizen Participation, Communication, and Announcements: None

Old Business:

MTM Update, Legislative Audit Bureau Report: Dana Schultz, MTM, stated they have been spending a good amount of time in Rock County. They have addressed concerns from individuals with issues who had been referred from various agencies. She has also reached out to Cathy Idzerda, Janesville Gazette, regarding complaints Cathy was aware of. Jess Krueger, MTM, has also been in Rock County working with mental health providers. She has also been attending the Partnerships for Older Adults Committee meetings. MTM currently has three primary providers in Rock County. Vehicle inspections have been completed on some of those vehicles. There were good results from two providers but there are issues with vehicles from You Buy, We Fly.

Julie Seeman asked about the wait time for incoming calls to the Call Center. Ms. Schultz stated they are required to have wait times under four minutes, but their average is two minutes. They now have a new quality management team.

Ms. Schulz was asked to provide copies of the vehicle inspection check forms. She invited TCC members to view an inspection.

Joyce Lubben asked that, when possible, complaints be routed through the Mobility Manager so that trends may be tracked.

Mobility Manager Position: Joyce Lubben introduced Molly Nolte as the new Mobility Manager. Ms. Nolte will begin on July 20, 2015. They will have a number of large projects to work on, including the 2016 grant application. Ms. Lubben thanked Terry Nolan and Jennifer Anselmi for participating in the interview process.

State Budget Updates Pertaining to Transportation Issues: Terry Nolan reported that the Transportation Alternatives funding is not included in the 2015-17 state budget. It appears the Complete Streets legislation is in flux at this time.

Joyce Lubben shared that Motion #999 included a statement regarding a change in the State contract for non-emergency medical transportation services for medical assistance beneficiaries in 8 southeast counties. No one seems to know the background for that change or what exactly the change is.

Dementia Friendly Communities: Cori Marsh, Rock County Dementia Care Specialist, provided information on what Dementia Friendly Communities are. She will be hosting a train the trainer workshop. Molly Nolte, the new Mobility Manager, will be trained. The group agreed that this is a good fit for transportation providers and will be a goal in the 2016 Mobility Manager application. Ms. Marsh stated that no other county has made that connection.

Sub Committee Reports: Vice-Chair Terry Nolan stated that with a new Mobility Manager on board it may be time to re-evaluate the effectiveness and structure of the sub-committees.

<u>Bicycle Pedestrian:</u> Terry Nolan met with the Bike/Pedestrian sub-committee and they discussed how to connect the WI Bike Fed to organizations and programs to provide educational training. The group determined the driver's education training through Community Action and the Slow Rides organized by the Janesville Velo Club would be a good start.

<u>Personal Mobility:</u> Lynn Jones stated the committee has not met, however the Driver Education Program has been developed and 14 scholarships have been distributed.

Marketing and Outreach: No report.

Advocacy: No report.

Member Reports: Terry Nolan reported that the JTS google transit is up and running. There have been 240 queries. JTS is getting a new bus this year. JTS is also placing new security cameras in the buses. Ms. Nolan continues to work on the long range plan.

Ryan Schomber described the changes to his job as a result of different funding sources. He is still working with persons who have disabilities as well as those on Social Security and SSI for employment support. Transportation is the number one barrier.

TJ Nee and James Thompson reported they are finalizing the five-year Transit Development Plan. Mr. Nee is working on bike and pedestrian updates with the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Joe Scharenbroch stated that he has left Catholic Charities and is now working for Disability Rights Wisconsin. In this new position he is working more with individuals that have transportation issues.

Rob Wilkinson stated that GWAAR is still looking for new board members.

Julie Seeman reported that the Wednesday Walks program has started. The first walk was a guided tour around Court House Hill.

Lynn Jones reported that Community Action, effective July 1, 2015, will be the provider for job training (Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act-WIOA) youth programs (in school and out of school youth) for the SW area. Transportation is a key factor in employment and continuing education as we expand opportunities for young people. The Northern US Bike and Build group, travels from coast to coast each summer completing community service projects along the way, and will be stopping in Beloit next week to work on several area projects. Community Action staff have been involved in the Walworth County strategic planning sessions that include community leaders, educators and the faith based community, results will be available this summer and it is expected that connecting to employment in other communities, such as Rock County, will be identified.

Future Agenda Items: Future agenda items will include a report from MTM and a review of the Transportation Coordination Plan.

Future Meeting Dates: September 11, November 13

Adjournment: A motion was made by Vice-Chair Terry Nolan to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lynn Jones. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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