Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting



Friday, July 12, 2013 8:30 AM Health Care Center Classroom #136 3530 County Road F Janesville, WI 53545

Minutes

<u>Members Present:</u> Joyce Lubben, Karl Schulte, Lynn Jones, Patty Hansberry, Rob Wilkinson, Ryan Schomber, Steve Skelly, Terry Nolan, Steve Howland (alternate for Terry Thomas)

<u>Members Absent</u>: John Hanewall, Bob Soltau, Dave Mumma, Michelle Gavin, Jennifer Anselmi, Terry Thomas, Justin Svingen

Others in attendance: Joseph Scharenbroch

Call to order:

Vice Chair Nolan called to order the meeting of the Rock County Transportation Coordinating Committee at 8:33 AM on Friday July 12, 2013 in room #136 of the Rock County Health Care Center.

Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved as presented

Approval of Minutes – 6/14/2013

Member Skelly moved to approve; second by Member Jones; motion carries

Introduction of Members

Committee members introduced themselves

Introduction of Visitors

Visitors introduced themselves

Citizen Participation, communication, and announcements

Old Business

Update on Focus Groups

6/18/13 Job Center

- 5 Job Center Partners, 1 consumer attended.
- Major issues were need for later hours of transit service to access jobs, regional service

6/21/13 Edgerton

- 6-8 attendees; taxi drivers and dispatcher.
- Regional service needs
- Taxi Drivers were unfamiliar with existing services

6/27/13 Orfordville

- 6 attendees
- Regional Service needs to smaller communities
- Fear of trying public transit, need for travel buddies

6/28/13 Milton

- 7 attendees, all elderly
- Participants rely on friends/family for transportation; fear of trying public transit

7/11/13 Janesville Spanish Session

- 1 attendee with her two small children. Transit user and advocate for disabled
- Accessibility issues regarding lack of sidewalks at bus stops, sidewalk
 upkeep and snow clearance, need for bus drivers to call out stops for
 visually impaired or have automatic voice prompts. Also mentioned
 recreation and tourist attractions not well served by transit.

New Business

Supplemental Resources

Supplemental Resources include Needs Assessment by Community Action, The City of Janesville 2012 Transit Development Plan, and CTAA Study looking at the HWY 26 Corridor.

Member Reports

Member Nolan informed the group that the Janesville City Council unanimously approved a youth fare for middle and high school aged students in the City. Distribution of tokens will take place through Janesville School District middle and high schools beginning in mid August. Janesville also broke ground on the new transit maintenance facility.

Member Wilkinson shared information about MTM's efforts to address complaints and attend listening sessions.

Other Business

Members discussed the need to educate people about existing services. Outreach needs include better involvement with the Hispanic community and connecting with the Beloit and Janesville Latino committees organized with the police departments. Outreach needs to also include the Homeless Intervention Task Force and the faith communities. Members requested outreach at fall fairs be a future discussion item.

Future Meeting Dates

August 9 Sept 13 October 11

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Justin Svingen, Mobility Manager Council on Aging