Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting



July 11, 2014 8:30am Rock County Job Center Room I 1900 Center Avenue Janesville, WI 53546 Meeting Minutes

<u>Member Present:</u> Jennifer Anselmi, John Hanewall, Karl Schulte, Lynn Jones, Patty Hansberry, Rob Wilkinson, Ryan Schomber, Steve Skelly, Terry Nolan, Terry Thomas

Members Excused: Justin Svingen, T.J. Nee, Joyce Lubben

Members Absent: Dave Mumma, Michelle Gavin

Others in Attendance: Dan Nikolay, Gary Messinger, Carol Wickersham, Joe Scharenbrock,

- 1. Vice Chair Nolan called the meeting to order at 8:32am
- 2. **Approval of Agenda.** Member Skelly made a motion to approve, Member Wilkinson seconded. Agenda approved unanimously.
- 3. **Approval of Minutes.** Member Skelly made a motion to approve the minutes of the 5/9/14 meeting, Member Wilkinson seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.
- 4. Members and Visitors introduced themselves.
- 5. Citizen Participation, communication, and announcements. None.
- 6. Discussion: Time Bank Model and Transportation Gary Messinger
 - a. Gary Messinger provided a summary of the Rock County time bank model, and provided a handout. Rock County has roughly 90 members and Gary would like to grow membership. A database system matches up needs with resources. Background checks are done. Time Bank does not check for auto insurance. About 20 members offer transportation assistance. The work completed by time bank members is tax exempt.

Rock County could use paid staff to grow its capability but funds would need to be identified. Organizations can participate as well as individuals. Hours transferable between Dane and Rock Counties. There is potential to partner with Beloit College.

7. Designation of County Transportation Coordinator.

Member Thomas made a motion to designate Rock County Council on Aging/Specialized Transit as the coordinator of transportation services for seniors and person with disabilities with local public and non-profit bodies to ensure that there are no overlaps or gaps in transportation service. Member Wilkinson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. 4-H Fair.

Steve Skelly provided an update on organizing for the fair. On track to get everything ready.

9. Sub-Committee Reports

- a. Bicycle Pedestrian group looking at coordinating the various bike giveaway and low cost purchase programs out there and increase capacity of ECHO to give bikes to low-income individuals. Group also looking at bike sharing program.
- b. Personal Mobility- Mobility for Job Seekers
- c. Marketing and Outreach group organized 4-H Fair activities
- d. Advocacy- group contacted the media about problems with MTM. Article ran in the Gazette.

10. Member Reports.

Terry Nolan informed the group that the process to put together the Transportation Improvement Program will be starting soon and some members should expect to get letters in the mail.

Lynn Jones informed the group that Community Action's Workin' Wheels Program is up and running and they have 20 loans to issue. Also Trans program will train individuals to work in road construction.

Karl Schulte reported Edgerton Taxi is providing a record number of rides and there is a lot of need in Edgerton for transportation.

Terry Thomas informed the group that Rock County's long term administrator is retiring. The County is also purchasing the Job Center building.

John Hanewall reported the Developmental Disabilities Board is in its budget process.

Ryan Schomber announced SWWDB is transitioning to a new director, from Bob Borremans to Rhonda Suda.

Steve Skelly reported they are looking at feasibility of providing wheelchair accessible rides to Madison.

11. Future Meeting Dates.

Sub Committees will meet in August and the full TCC will meet September 12^{th} . Location might be Janesville Municipal Building and Terry Nolan will check availability.

12. Meeting adjourned at 9:30am
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