

ONEIDA-VILAS TRANSIT COMMISSION (OVTC) MINUTES

November 13, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Erv Teichmiller, Bob Mott, Steven Schreier, Charles Hayes, Fred Radtke, and Milt Klingsporn. Absent Ed Hammer. Others Present: Roger Youngren, Transit Manager and Kayla Houp, Lakeland Times.

CALL TO ORDER: Teichmiller called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. the ADRC of Transit Commission Building at 1831 N. Stevens St. Rhinelander, noting this meeting was properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and meets the Americans with Disabilities Act.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion by Radtke to approve Agenda in any order as per the chair with a second by Schreier. All ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Motion by Klingsporn to approve Minutes of October 24, 2019 Second by Radtke. All ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No one present.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Hayes, second by Schreier to enter into closed session pursuant to section Sec. 19.85(1)(e) Wis Stats., to: deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session (MLS Grant Opportunity and 121 Mill St. Eagle River WI Lease/Purchase Agreement) and 19.85 (1)(c) Wis Stats., to: consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of a public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility (wage/benefit compensation). All ayes Motion carried at 9:02 a.m.

Motion by Radtke. Second by Hayes to return to open session at 11:35 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

No action taken in closed session.

TRANSIT MUTUAL DIRECTORSHIP: Youngren's appointment ends 12/31/19. Motion by Mott to authorize Youngren to be OVTC representative for Transit Mutual Insurance Company. Second by Schreier. All ayes. Motion carried.

BART BUS PURCHASE: BART replaced the tires and did some routine maintenance on the bus before OVTC picked up the bus. The new bus is currently an on-demand bus in Rhinelander.

NEW BUS ORDER: Youngren submitted the purchase order for the new buses on October 31, 2019 to Atlas Bus Service. The purchase price is \$61,651.00 for each bus. Youngren added a heated first step to each of the buses. OVTC has the 20% down (\$41,771.00) in the bank.

BUDGET VS. ACTUAL: Youngren went through the report line by line. Overall under budget by \$85,000. Fare revenue is still below budget. Youngren would like to raise the fare for on-demand services. The December board meeting will have a discussion on fare revenue. Youngren working on the 2020 budget. He is waiting for Headwaters contract and the new route approval prior to completing 2020 budget.

RIDERSHIP: Ridership up 468 one-way rides in October. The Eagle Eye route had 20 passengers last month. All were from Phelps going to the Land O' Lakes Food Pantry or the grocery stores in Eagle River. No passengers were picked up in Conover or Land O' Lakes.

NEW PROPOSED ROUTE FOR 2020: Youngren is in discussion with Sue Richmond, ADRC of Vilas County Director and both the Boulder Junction and Manitowish Waters Chambers of Commerce. The proposed route would be Monday and every other Friday Boulder Junction to Manitowish Waters to Lakeland area with a 3 hour stop there and then return to Manitowish Waters and Boulder Junction. Every Wednesday and every other Friday the bus would go from Eagle River to Phelps and Land O' Lakes in 2019.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, December 2, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate committee.

Respectfully submitted by:

Barbara Newman
Office Manager