

## Minutes

### TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMISSION

#### Public Works Facility

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. Commission members: Janell Kassel, Maggie Curry, Courtney Ferreira, Tom Curry and Blanca Davison were present. Ex-officio member Kathie Anderson Noel was also present. Minutes from the March 11, 2014 meeting were read. Janell Kassel made a motion to approve minutes as read, Courtney Ferreira seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

The following operational activities were discussed. Transit Advisory Members who have served were thanked for their service - Maggie Curry, Jason Miller, and Sue George. New members - Courtney Ferreira, Tom Curry and Blanca Davison were welcomed.

All 99 route signs were replaced in Muscatine during the month of May. The new signs have greater reflectivity and are MuscaBus blue and white. The yellow coloring on the signs had faded over the years. They served us well for the last 15 years.

MuscaBus dispatchers and drivers manned booths at several fairs and expos during the quarter. Trinity Health Fair was held on a cold, blustery day in April at Calvary Church. MuscaBus had a bus parked near the front door of the event. At previous fairs, we have been able to set a table up outside the bus and interact with participants. Due to the weather, our table was inside the bus and interaction with attendees was lower than previous years.

MuscaBus also participated in the first, annual Muscatine Area Transition Fair held at the High School. Service providers were able to interact with disabled students who will graduate from MHS in May.

In May we participated at the Senior Expo held at the Rendevous. It was well attended.

The Transit Supervisor attended a Passenger Transportation Summit held in Marshalltown on May 15, 2014. Individuals interested in transportation services, and service providers from throughout the state were represented.

The annual Iowa Public Transit meeting was held in Davenport from June 18 - 20, 2014. The Transit Supervisor attended training sessions held at the Radisson downtown. Two MuscaBus drivers received Driver of the Year awards at the Driver Recognition Dinner. The drivers recognized were Ken Lane and Gary Lane. Two drivers also participated in the annual Bus Rodeo held on Saturday, June 20. Veteran driver Kay Ribbink and new hire Gerry Bermel represented MuscaBus in the light duty bus competition.

A less than half time dispatcher was hired in May. She is dispatching and driving.

The Transit Supervisor met with the DOT Compliance Officer on June 12, 2014 for the compliance review. This is conducted typically every three years.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.. Motion Maggie Curry, 2<sup>nd</sup> Blanca Davison. Motion carried. The next Transit Advisory Commission meeting will be held at Public Works on Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.. Members of the general public are welcome to attend. Any person with a disability requiring a reasonable accommodation to participate should contact the MuscaBus office at 563-263-8152 at least two days prior to the Transit Advisory Commission meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Korpi, Transit Supervisor