

Minutes

TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Public Works Facility

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. Commission members: Tom Curry, Pat Hagens, Therese Finney, Tricia Honeyman, Kathy Moore and Ex-Officio member Kathie Anderson-Noel were present. Minutes from the December 8, 2015 meeting were read. Tom Curry made a motion to approve minutes as read, Kathy Moore seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

The following operational activities were discussed. MuscaBus provided rides from Central Middle School to Geneva Country Club for the Symphony's annual Valentine dinner on February 13, 2016.

Medicaid Modernization continues to consume time and energy. We are reviewing contracts and negotiating with brokers and managed care organizations. The State of Iowa made the decision to privatize Medicaid in 2015. Four Managed Care Organizations were selected in the summer of 2015. They are: AmeriHealth-Caritas, United Health, Amerigroup and WellCare. WellCare was later removed from the list of Managed Care Organizations. The Managed Care Organizations have selected brokers to manage transportation. They are: Access to Care, MTM, and Logisticare. We have had the City Attorney review the contract from Logisticare. We are using that contract as a guideline for the others. Approval for contracts is on the agenda for the March 17th Council meeting.

In other operational news, a new driver is training. His name is Ted Miller. He will complete training mid March.

Training sessions in March centered around Medicaid Modernization. The Transit Supervisor attended an Iowa Public Transit Business meeting in Des Moines on February 9, 2016. After the meeting, Medicaid Brokers were available for questions. I also attended a forum at Scott Community College on February 3, 2016 on Medicaid Modernization.

Planning and goal setting activities included Budget presentation to City Council on February 6, 2016. March 3rd was the Council meeting where the proposed budget was presented and approved.

The Transit Supervisor will attend PASS Training in Ames, March 9 – 11, 2016. This training focuses on Passenger Service and Safety.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.. Motion Tom Curry, second Pat Hagens. Motion carried. The next Transit Advisory Commission meeting will be held at Public Works on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 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