

Transportation Committee Meeting

October 29, 2024

The regular meeting of the Health and Human Services Transportation Meeting was called to order by Chair Buss at 10:00am on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, in the County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, Green Lake WI. The meeting was held in person and via Teams. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chuck Buss, Dawn Brantley, Jon Vandeyacht, Rebecca Bays (via Teams at 10:01).

Absent: Ryan Bamberg, Richard Trochinski.

Others Present: Cate Wylie, County Administrator (via Teams), Kayla Yonke, HHS Financial/Business Manager, Jason Jerome, HHS Director, Sarah Petit, HHS Admin, Debbie Stobbe, FRI, Mark Wilton, Executive Director of Green Lake County Senior Transportation, Inc., Tom Hester.

Public Hearing:

Motion/second (Brantley/Vandeyacht) to open the public hearing. All ayes, motion passed. Chair Buss called for public comment. Mark Wilton, Executive Director of Green Lake County Senior Transportation, Inc. spoke as a program recipient of 85.21, his business is seeing increased costs for transportation services and funding is not keeping up with expenses. Mark is asking the committee to lobby with the State of Wisconsin to secure more funding. ***Motion/second*** (Brantley/Vandeyacht) to close the public hearing and reconvene to the meeting. All ayes, motion passed.

Minutes of 4/8/24:

Motion/second (Brantley/Vandeyacht) to approve the minutes of the 4/8/24 meeting with the correction of 53.10 Grant Update- Cycle 48 should be Cycle 49. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

None.

Appearances:

Mark Wilton, as per stated above in the public hearing.

85.21 Specialized Transportation Association Grant Update:

Brantley reported- Grant application is in packet for review. There were no questions regarding the application. ***Motion/second*** (Brantley/Vandeyacht) to approve 85.21 Specialized Transportation Association Grant application and forward the application to HHS Board for final approval before submitting to the State.

Redistribution of 85.21 Funds:

Brantley reported- using 85.21 to redistribute funds to FRI, Berlin Senior Center and Green Lake County Senior Transportation. The City of Princeton and Southern Green Lake Transportation were removed from the funding as those areas and residents are now being served by Green Lake County Senior Transportation.

Ride Rates Discussion:

Jason Jerome reported- At the April 2024 meeting ride rates were discussed. Information was gathered regarding rates and included in the packet. There will need to be future discussion regarding rates.

5310 Grant Update:

Brantley reported- Cycle 47 was 2 years ago, expecting a minibus in November 2024. Cycle 48, chassis is being built for a minibus with a delivery date of 2025. Cycle 49 was submitted in August 2024 for a minivan and operational funding.

5310 Vehicle Update:

Brantley reported- Currently 9 vehicles in the fleet. Cost of repairs, mileage and fuel amounts have continued to increase. 2022 cost was \$34,000.00, 2023 \$53,000.00 and 2024 to date is \$57,000.00. Due to older fleet, there have been substantial repairs. Discussion followed.

Coordinated Plan Goals Discussion:

Jason Jerome reported- no update, this item can be carried over to the next agenda.

Veterans Transportation Updates:

Vandeyacht reported- The VA has lessened COVID restrictions resulting in more in person appointments. Currently have one volunteer driver. Could possibly have a second volunteer driver soon. Things are going well with consistent funding from the State.

Committee Discussion

Future meeting date: April 2025.

Future Agenda items for action & discussion- N/A.

Adjourn:

Chair Buss adjourned the meeting at 10:17am.