

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY
SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes

DATE: Tuesday, May 14, 2019

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: ECWRPC

PRESENT: Nickolas Musson, ECWRPC; Holly Keenan, Lutheran Social Services; Erin Roberts, Winnebago County Health Department; Mark Weisensel and Pam Bartelt, Winnebago County Department of Human Services

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Nickolas Musson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY 14, 2019 MEETING:

Mark Weisensel moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by Holly Keenan and carried unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

4. WINNEBAGO CATCH A RIDE UPDATE:

Holly Keenan shared that there now 6-8 engaged drivers and they have secured rides. Majority of rides up to this point are employment based that are referrals through Forward Service's. These requests are matched up to see if current services are available to meet their needs. If nothing is available they are set up with a volunteer driver. Recently the first ride outside the employment need was given in working with the Partnership Clinic in Oshkosh. They have a partnership with Advocap and have created a display piece in order to promote this. Information is being set up at rural café's or other locations that are willing to display. Winneconne and Omro are two focus areas. A connection was made with the Oshkosh Refugee person through the school district who has people that may be interested in helping. They will find out soon if they have received the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation Grant which would assist in maintaining the pilot project.

5. MRH WINNEBAGO COUNTY VAN UPDATE:

Holly distributed a handout with statistics for the van showing the numbers of rides, trips, miles and other information. Most rides are going outside the county. There are three drivers that are trained to operate the van with one more interested person. The new van should be available in July or August 2019. They do now have a Facebook page that is active. They were gifted a trishaw and have started a new initiative where they will offer rides for people in the community as another form of mobility.

6. TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM UPDATES:

Holly informed us that funding was secured to hire a fourth person that will be working with Holly directly and will also be involved with the call center.

Wheelchair Wash is taking place June 22, 2019 at J & R Auto on 629 North Main Street in Oshkosh from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. This is on a Saturday and will be during the Farmers Market.

Mark Weisensel shared that he has been working on the 2020 Budget. Mark also announced that he is retiring July 5, 2019.

Nick mentioned that he has been working on the Valley Transit Trans Development Plan. The 5210 application will be coming out in June. They are also working on a commuter service study.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting of the Winnebago County Specialized Transportation Council will be held on August 13, 2019 at the Hooper Building in Oshkosh.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Erin Roberts moved for adjournment; seconded by Holly Keenan and carried at approximately 2:15 p.m.

Upcoming Meeting: November 12, 2019 (East Central)

Respectfully submitted by: Pam Bartelt, Human Services Department