

Marquette County Transit Authority

1325 Commerce Drive

Marquette, MI 49855

Board Meeting Minutes of August 16th, 2018

Call To Order:

Chairperson Nankervis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on August 16th, 2018.

Roll Call:

Bosio	Boyd	Connors	Grund	LaRue	Nankervis
Perry	Peterson	Quayle	Tollefson		

Other Staff Present: Klein, Executive Director. Richer, Operations Manager.

Excused Absence: Kasper

Minutes:

Peterson made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of July 19th, 2018 as presented. Bosio supported. Unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda:

Tollefson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. LaRue supported. Unanimously approved.

Peterson inquired about the check made to David Mahan for painting. Inquired if the price included the paint or just labor? Klein replied that the price was for labor only.

Agenda:

Tollefson made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Bosio supported. Unanimously approved.

Public Comment:

J. Mitchell inquired about having the list of Board Member posted publicly for 2018, schedule of Board Meetings, Agenda and the Minutes.

Action Items:

1. Transportation request for Bethel Baptist Church to travel to Calumet on September 10th, 2018. Tollefson made a motion to approve the transportation request. Boyd supported. Unanimously approved.

Old or New Business:

Klein reported that she will be attending the Annual Meeting this month down state in Crystal Mountain.

Klein reported that she talked with Meijer and that they are fine with how we are dropping off and picking up passengers.

Klein reported that three employees attended Front Line Training this month.

Klein reported that we are looking at our website with a possible new web design.

Board Member Comments:

Quayle inquired about the Accident Review Board notes that state we do not have to transport faulty equipment. Are you talking about central dispatch at the State Police Post? Klein replied, yes I believe so. Quayle replied that you better look into this. I am not certain that this is a call that you would make to central dispatch.

LaRue inquired if Richer had ever looked into bus stop signs? Richer replied that two years ago he spoke with Cook sign and the City of Marquette. City would not approve putting any signs on poles or trees.

Boyd commented that there was a write up in the Mining Journal about Marq-Tran that was very nice.

Boyd commented that the Negaunee shuttle is down 90%. Staff should have some guidelines for the Board when there is such a large drop in service. Richer replied that about three years ago we dropped that route down to one day a week which is why you see the large decline.

Boyd inquired about the Walgreen drive through intersection. I requested contacting the Salvation Army as a pickup center at the last Board meeting. I made a suggestion and it did not come back to the Board that anything was followed up on. Maybe suggestions are not the way to go. When a Board member has a thought about something that should be looked into how formal should that be? Richer commented that about three years ago when we changed routes I believe it was at an Operations Committee that it was decided that we were no longer going into the Salvation Army. This was because they were not keeping the parking lot plowed and our busses were getting stuck and our fixed routes were being delayed sometimes as long as ten to fifteen minutes. Boyd commented that this sounds like a Management thing to me. We have plow services here so if we had to we could have it plowed. Tollefson commented that a shelter at the Salvation Army makes more sense. LaRue commented that most of the people using the Salvation Army they are driving their own cars not taking the bus. You should put it where the mass people are. Nankervis commented that he does not agree with having our plows down there plowing out the Salvation Army parking lot.

Tollefson was disappointed about the website. This has been an issue that has been brought up and this is not something we should be hearing about during public comment.

LaRue inquired about the cost of a shelter? Klein commented 5-10K per shelter.

Public Comment:

None

Adjournment:

Bosio made a motion for adjournment. Tollefson supported. Unanimously approved. Nankervis adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Sincerely,

A. Koski