

**SIoux CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 17, 2016**

On this date 3:30 p.m., at 509 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, Iowa, was held a regular meeting of the Sioux City Transit Advisory Board for the purpose of discussing items of interest and concern to the Sioux City Transit System, the City of Sioux City, and the citizens thereof, matters to be brought to the attention of the Advisory Board by the Transit Manager; and such other business that might properly come before the Board at this time.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mary Martin  
Joan Bruhn  
Richard Owens

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mary Elder  
Tom Venesky

**OTHERS**

Curt Miller, SRTS  
Maureen Timblin, Admin Assistant  
Jeff Harcum, Transit Supervisor  
Mike Collett, Assistant City Manager

**ITEM NO. 1 CALL OF ROLL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Roll was called, and introductions were not necessary.

**ITEM NO. 2 APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES**

*Martin made a motion, Bruhn seconded the motion, to approve the minutes from the July meeting. All members present voted aye to approve the minutes.*

**ITEM NO. 3 OPERATING AND PARATRANSIT REPORTS**

Collett explained the reports from the first month of the new fiscal year. He stated Harcum is more involved in the oversight of paratransit service and operations. The paratransit invoice was not paid in July; the payment will be processed and reported in August. Discussion was held about paratransit service. Collett stated the fixed route revenue is less than the same time last year, due to the Ragbrai event that was held in 2015; and Saturday in the Park passenger counts are lower than 2015. The contract with the Sioux City Community Schools was approved by City Council. School starts August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**ITEM NO. 4 OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Grant Updates

Harcum stated the window treatments and carpeting projects will commence soon. Southside Glass is replacing broken and damaged panels in passenger shelters. Two new shelters have been installed. WIT has agreed to contribute toward the purchase price of the new shelters.

There is no grant funding available for concrete replacement; staff plans to replace concrete at the Transit garage and maintenance facility. Harcum stated it might be possible to meet the DBE goal with the concrete project, because there are two contractors that meet DBE certification.

Owens asked about the Intercity bus grant (ICB). Harcum stated the ICB grant is intended to provide financial assistance to agencies that provide service in and between other cities, such as Jefferson Lines. Harcum stated it is another category of federal grant funding.

Collett stated there are leftover grant funds for JARC and New Freedom. Transit staff will apply for funds, which might become available later this fiscal year.

There are 27 large fixed route buses and ten paratransit buses (7 are being used). Two new buses are on order.

#### **ITEM NO. 5 OTHER DISCUSSION**

The annual Joint Council/Board meeting will be held September 6, 2016, at noon. Collett stated he will provide a report of Transit activities over the past year, and the board can explain activities concerning the New Freedom nights and weekends transportation

Owens stated a meeting was not held to discuss the plan for transportation services. He will meet with Dawn and Mary in the near future.

Collett stated Elder sent a message about a bus driver who stopped the bus to help a person push his bicycle up an incline and get the bike onto the sidewalk.

#### **ITEM NO. 6 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be a joint meeting with the City Council; it is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 12:00 noon. A regular transit board meeting will be held September 21, 2016, at 3:30 p.m.

*Martin made a motion, Bruhn seconded the motion, to adjourn; all members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.*

Mary Martin  
Secretary

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