

**Oneida Vilas Transit Commission**

**December 7, 2017**

ATTENDANCE: Erv Teichmiller, Bob Mott, Bill Freudenberg, Ed Hammer, Chuck Hayes, Milt Klingsporn, Dianne Jacobson, Joe Gottsacker and Jim Altenburg. Excused Fred Radtke, Sue Richmond. Also in attendance: Carrie and Rich Linzmeier of Stargazer/Northwoods Mobility Matt Daily of DISCAB, Gregg Bruso of Rapid Cab and Brian Jopek of the Lakeland Times.

CALL TO ORDER: Teichmiller called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. at the Transit Commission Building, 1831 N. Stevens Street, in Rhinelander, noting this meeting was properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and meets the Americans with Disabilities Act.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Hayes made a motion to approve Agenda and in any order, as per the chair with a second by Klingsporn. All ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There was a motion by Klingsporn with a second by Hammer to approve the Minutes of the Regular Commission Minutes of November 24, 2017. All ayes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: Closed Session: Motion by Freudenberg, second by Hayes to enter in to closed session pursuant to section 19.85 (1)(c) Wis Stats., to: consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of a public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility. (Personnel Wages/Benefits) Roll Call Vote: Hayes/aye, Teichmiller/aye, Mott/aye, Hammer/aye, and Klingsporn/aye, 1:31 p.m.

Motion by to return to open session at 2:20 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST: Motion by Hammer to grant an unpaid leave of absence for Jim Altenburg the last week in December. Second by Mott. All ayes. Motion carried.

HRA POLICY REVIEW: Motion by Hammer to rescind HRA for 216 and 2017 with the understanding to revisit in 2018. Second by Freudenberg. All ayes. Motion carried.

2017 BUDGET: Close to the end of the year. Anticipate a slight deficit. Won't know how much of a deficit until all bills and revenues has been posted.

WisDOT 2018 PROPOSED BUDGET: This is proposed budget. Preliminary approval from WisDOT in mid-January. Anticipate signing contract in May or June. Discussed line by line budget items. Interest on loans can't be reimbursed by WisDOT. Motion by Hammer to approve proposed 2018 budget. Second by Klingsporn. All ayes. Motion carried. NTC not expecting WisDOT or FTA money nay sooner than this year. NTC not the only system within the state struggling with funding.

TRANSIT MANAGER REPORT:

- a) Ridership numbers: As of today 50,000 gps stops.
- b) Headwaters Contract: Transit Manager waiting for Headwaters to decide on 2018 contract.

BUS INSURANCE: Transferring insurance to Transit Mutual. Our rates will drop substantially. Rates are based on mileage and not value of the buses.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Vilas County has a Safe Ride Home program.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Matt Daily of DISCAB had asked for an open records request two months ago. He is wondering where we are on the request. He is also asking on how ridership is determined. The Transit Manager and Matt Daily will meet to discuss ridership and open records request.

**Next Meeting Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at 1831 N. Stevens Street, Rhinelander. Next Executive Committee meeting Thursday, January 4, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. at 1831 N. Stevens Street, Rhinelander**

Meeting adjourned 2:45 p.m.

*Minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate committee.*

Respectfully submitted by:

Barb Newman, Office Manager  
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