

MINUTES
NORTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, July 12, 2017, Lutheran Social Services, 3003 N Richmond St., Appleton

MEETING ATTENDEES: Mark Weisensel (ADRC of Winnebago County)
Jeffrey Agee-Aguayo (Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission)
Lisa Conard (Brown County Planning Commission)
Pam Busch (Door-Tran, Door County Transportation Consortium)
Peggy Zielinski (NEWTC/NEWCAP)
Holly Keenan (Making the Ride Happen, LSS)
Jennifer Hallam-Nelson (Green Bay Metro)
Essie Fels (Green Bay Metro)
Christel Giesen (ADRC of Brown County)
Melissa Annoye (Kewaunee County)
Madison Smith (Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission)
Sue Pomplun (ADVOCAP)

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Derek Muench (Shoreline Metro – City of Sheboygan)
Nick Musson (East Central WI Regional Planning Commission)
Sandy Popp (Options for Independent Living)
Jess Krueger (MTM)

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Vice Chairperson Holly Keenan called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Welcome and introductions were made. Pam Busch and Jeff Agee-Aguayo noted those who had asked to be excused from the meeting.

2. Agenda Review, Repair and Approval

Moved by Mark Weisensel and second by Jeff Agee-Aguayo, carried without amendments.

3. Review and Approval of April 12, 2017 NEWRATC Meeting Minutes

Moved by Lisa Conard and seconded by Jeff Agee-Aguayo, carried and filed without amendments.

4. Public Input - No input received.

5. State and Federal Legislative Update

Carrie Porter's email from July 11th shared information about the proposed Medicaid Flexibility Program, which may cut NEMT funding started in 2020. Lisa Conard shared that MTM provides about 8900 trips per month in Brown County. She feels that if NEMT funding went away, it would be difficult to absorb these trips into other systems.

Christel Giesen shared that funding for the CSBG, energy assistance, and senior employment programs may also be eliminated or decreased per the draft budget.

Holly Keenan shared that the Fox Cities Legislative Day is July 27th from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Goodwill Center on Appleton Road.

6. Update on Medical Assistance Transportation Management

Lisa Conard shared that the state has the option to extend the MTM contract by one more year.

7. Committee Member/Program Updates (All)

- Pam Busch shared that Door County was selected by Easterseals for an Accessible Transportation Community Initiative (ATCI) and that needs assessments are being collected until August 11th. The two-day plan development meeting will be in August.
- Jeffrey Agee-Aguayo shared that he plans to begin working on the TDP for Shoreline Metro in August. Shoreline also submitted a CMAQ grant this year. Kewaunee's Coordinated Plan was recently amended to add future vehicles.
- Mark Weisensel shared that Winnebago was also selected for the ATCI project with Easterseals. The two-day event will be in September. He said that Phase I will allow for up to \$25,000 in funding for the meeting and to develop a plan. Phase II will continue the technical assistance by Easterseals staff and another \$75,000 to implement the plan. Mark shared that he is working on the City of Oshkosh TDP and plans to update the Coordinated Plan this fall.
- Jennifer Hallam-Nelson shared that she has set-up the logo and tagline for Mobility Management of Brown County and has started a newsletter. She also set up and launched a travel training program. Jennifer began a focus group based on rider and provider survey results to look at further programming.
- Essie Fels shared that Green Bay Metro is working on a Para Transit Survey at this time. Will be partnering with the Green Bay Packers again this year and the G Line will start 7/24. Also working on short video clips for riding the bus covering topics such as how to take a pet, stow a pet, taking a car seat, etc. These will be put on the website and on YouTube.
- Lisa Conard shared that the 5310 application is available. Brown County received \$168,000 this year. Since Brown County is an urban area, they do not need to apply each year. Providers in Brown County can apply to the County for the funds received.
- Peggy Zielinski is working on the 5310 grant to continue serving Marinette and Oconto Counties. She's also continuing work on the Repair Garage project that may launch in September.
- Melissa Annoye shared that the volunteer program for Kewaunee have seen an increase in rides, however a small decline for the Algoma bus service. Kewaunee will be submitting a 5310 grant for another wheelchair accessible vehicle this year.
- Holly Keenan shared that the van they have acquired may be put into service very soon. She shared that she may also apply for a 5310 van for rural services by volunteer drivers.
- Lisa Conard shared that she was at a meeting with Carrie Porter and WisDOT stated that sedans can be purchased, however procurement would be done locally since these types of vehicles aren't chosen by state.

7. Other Issues – None

8. Next Meeting Date and Location

October 11th at the Brown County ADRC in Green Bay from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

9. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m. by consensus.