



Local Advisory Committee
Tuesday, January 4, 2022 12:00PM
Benzie Bus Station

MINUTES APPROVED AS PRESENTED OCTOBER 31, 2022

Members:

Ingemar Johansson - Chair Present	Matt Goodlin Present	Jane Hitesman Absent
Bev Popp Present	Ruth Ann Tyler Absent	Ralph Hall Present
Jerry Heiman Absent	Doug Durand Absent	Jessica Gardner Present
Jessica Carland (Staff) Present		

Welcome Guests and Call to Order Meeting called to order at 12:00PM

Roll Call Quorum present

Public Comment None

Review and Approve Agenda Motion by Jessica with support by Bev to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Review and Approve June 17, 2021 minutes Motion by Bev with support by Matt to approve the minutes from June 17, 2021 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Review and Approve September 14, 2021 minutes Tabled

Action:

LAC Membership - Thank you to Dorene Strang and Jeannette Feeheley, Welcome new members Jessica Gardner, Ralph Hall, and Jane Hitesman Jessica thanked Jeannette and Dorene for their service on the LAC. They have both taken positions on the Board of Directors. The committee welcomed three new members: Jessica, Ralph and Jane

Appointment of Committee Chair and Vice Chair Nomination made by Matt to appoint Matt as Committee Vice Chair. Nomination accepted by Ingemar. Motion by Bev and supported by Ralph to appoint as Committee Vice Chair. All ayes, motion carried.

FY2023 Vehicle Accessibility Plan Update Each year, the LAC is responsible for reviewing, providing feedback, and approving the Vehicle Accessibility Plan Update for the next fiscal year. Jessica discussed expansion of the fleet from 22 vehicles to 23 (trolley); changes in the fare structure and service area; and the frequency of which the Committee meets. Discussion over meeting regularity and possibility of meeting via Zoom. Motion by Bev to approve the FY2023 Vehicle Accessibility Plan as presented. Support by Jessica Gardner. All ayes, motion carried.

Updates:

HealthRides Jessica is working with Bayside Printing on a logo for the new non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) HealthRides service. Benzie Senior Resources is reviewing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Jessica is meeting with Networks Northwest next week to see how HealthRides may help with a new opioid grant program they received to hire and train certified and professional life coaches to assist individuals affected by opioid dependency



with any issues that may affect their success in life and work. Service hours/days as well as launch date are still being determined. A community survey has also been distributed both online and at various medical clinics and Benzie Senior Resources in order to gather some baseline data on barriers to accessing medical care.

Annual Report Jessica and Bill have been presenting the Annual Report at the 17 village/township meetings. Feedback has all been positive so far.

Traverse City Express We re-launched the Traverse City Express service on December 6th. It was decided to do a “soft” start and built the schedule around a group of students needing transportation to the manufacturing technology school as well as daily commuters that were transferring in Interlochen. Jessica hopes to see additional trips to/from TC added in 2022. So far there have been 276 trips on the TCX.

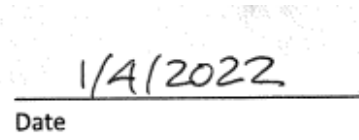
Other:

Next Meeting: April 5, 2022 at 12:00PM

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 12:34PM



Committee Chair



Date