Platteville Public Transportation Committee  
Thursday, October 10, 2019  
6:30 p.m.  
75 North Bonson Street, Platteville, WI  
Council Chambers – City Hall

Minutes

Present: Natasha Geyer, Jack Luedtke, Nina Elskamp, Anna Hilfer, Kurstin Frey (left at 7:10 PM), Demetri Andrews, Jack Fuellerman

Not present: Isaac Shanley, William Ericsen,

Non-Committee Members Present
Amy Seeboth-Wilson, Aaron Pluemer (Taxi)

Staff Present
Howard Crofoot

1. Call to order – 6:30 by Crofoot

2. Introductions – Members at the table introduced each other

3. Approve Minutes of May 9, 2019 meeting
   a. Motion by Hilfer, seconded by Frey to approve – passed unanimously

4. Committee Overview – Crofoot and Seeboth-Wilson explained the purpose of the Committee and history of public transportation in Platteville for new members.

5. Staff Reports/Updates
   a. Bus and Taxi delivery dates: Taxi delivered in summer, bus delivered at the end of September.
   b. Ridership update
      i. Ridership data was provided in the packet. No discussion on this topic.
   c. Ride the bus for free – due to poor weather, the date was changed to May 31. No specific count was obtained, but there were 54 more rides by “passes” in May 2019 than there were in May 2018.
   d. Decorate the bus for Christmas:
   e. Tour of Christmas lights: Jack Luedtke briefed the Committee on both items. It is an idea by Main Street and Chamber to have a contest for the best Christmas light displays. The thought was to sponsor special bus tours for seniors and others to view the displays.
   f. Dairy Days Parade: The bus was in the parade and there were volunteers who passed out water bottles with the Platteville Public Transportation logo and info on the system.
6. Actions to be taken by the Committee
   a. Discuss Parkway Grill (Benvenuto’s) stop on purple route – This stop was selected as a destination for the purple route due to its use as a restaurant. It has been converted to office space. Motion by Luedtke, seconded by Hilfer to eliminate the Parkway Grill (Benvenuto’s) stop on the purple route.
   b. Additional stops on Main Street – Jack Luedtke proposed adding stops near the Ruxton Apartments on Oak Street and near Garvey’s on Main Street. He felt that the Red route could make the Oak & Main stop and go down Oak Street, then come back up Second Street with little loss of time. The next stop is at Ullsvik Hall. He is proposing an intermediate stop either near the driveway at Garvey’s or closer to the intersection of Chestnut and Main to provide a stop near the top of Main Street.

7. Establish next meeting date
   a. November 14, 2019

8. Citizen Comments, Observations & Petitions
   a. Kurstin Frey noted that the second orange route has been welcomed by the students. This allows additional students to ride the bus and gives more flexibility to meet class times in the morning.
   b. It has been noted that many riders claim that drivers are not stopping or leaving early from their assigned stops. Stratton Buses shall be informed of this. They use GPS to determine where buses are and can find out if they leave early. Students are reminded to be at the stop waiting three minutes before the scheduled time. Drivers are reminded that it is better to be late for the next stop than to leave early from a scheduled stop.

9. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn – 7:30, Hilfer, seconded by Elskamp, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Howard B. Crofoot, P.E.

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