



MINUTES
Board of Commissioners Chambers
219 East Paw Paw Street

September 14, 2021 1:00 PM

Commissioners

Gail Patterson-Gladney, District 1
Kurt Doroh, District 2
Richard Godfrey, District 3
Mike Chappell, District 4
Randall Peat, District 5
Donald Hanson, District 6
Paul Schincariol, District 7

Public Transit Committee Meeting

1. **Call to Order**
Committee Members Present: Commissioner Kurt Doroh, Commissioner Mike Chappell, Commissioner Randy Peat

Others Present: County Administrator Frank Hardester, Laurie Schlipp, Tami Naber, Commissioner Richard Godfrey, Commissioner Don Hanson
2. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**
None
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Commissioner Chappell; Supported by Commissioner Peat; Motion: Carried
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. **7/13/2021 - Public Transit Committee Meeting Minutes**
Motion to approve the 7/13/21 Public Transit Committee Meeting Minutes by Commissioner Peat; Supported by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried
5. **Agenda Items**
 - A. **Director Report for September 2021**
Laurie Schlipp presented the Public Transit Report, and thanked everyone for all the help with the transition into her new role. Items discussed:
 - Facility Grant - waiting for notice of approval/denial. The grant amount is \$5,468,750.00
 - Buses - Transit is in the process of replacing some old buses, thanks to some MDOT grant funding received. There is a chassis shortage.
 - Services - senior rides are about 1,000. Veterans ride cards are at 11.
 - Transit will be offering free rides to the Veterans Stand Down in October.
 - B. **Financial / Ridership Reports**
Laurie Schlipp reviewed the Financial, Operations and Ridership Reports. Frank replied that for future meetings he would like to see the past few years' reports for comparison.

Commissioner Chappell asked if they could report about senior apartment riderships and compare if one senior facility is using transit more than others. Perhaps we can distribute information to the facilities that aren't using Public Transit.

Motion to approve the Financial Reports by Commissioner Chappell; Supported by Commissioner Peat; Motion: Carried

C. MDOT Contract 2017-0136 P12 - Replacement Buses

Laurie Schlipp presented an MDOT grant that Transit understood to not have a deadline date, but found that it did have a Sept. 3rd deadline. Therefore, not to miss the grant, Commissioner Godfrey signed the contract. Seeking a retroactive approval.

Motion to approve the contract by Commissioner Chappell; Supported by Commissioner Peat; Motion: Carried.

6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Peat; Supported by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried.

The meeting adjourned at: 1:23 PM