

Transportation Committee Minutes

December 8, 2016

The Transportation Committee of the Piatt County Board met on Thursday, December 8, 2016, at 2 p.m. in Room 104 of the Courthouse. The meeting was changed to 2 p.m. to allow attendance at the Regional HSTP meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Spencer at 2 p.m. Attending were committee members Spencer, Randy Shumard, and Bob Murrell. Also attending were: Randy Keith, Al Manint, Eileen Sierra-Brown, Christina Smith, Ed Gullo and Keri Nusbaum.

Motion

Shumard made motion, seconded by Murrell to accept the minutes of the November 3, 2016 meeting. All in favor, motion passed.

Approval of Transportation claims

Capital claims for November, 2016 were submitted. Some operating funds were transferred to cover expenses while waiting for state money. They have received some monies, and a township donation.

Motion

Shumard made motion to approve the capital claims of \$167.99 as presented, Murrell seconds.

Roll was called. All in favor, motion passed.

Operating Claims for November 2016 were submitted.

There was approximately \$12,000 in vehicle repairs. They are researching fuel programs, and sending fuel samples for testing. One repair was for injector issues, so they are hoping the sampling will assist in preventing more issues. They had an issue with a local diesel technician, so they are now taking the vehicles to Springfield.

Motion Shumard made motion to approve the operating claims as presented for \$50,958.41. Motion was seconded by Murrell. Roll was called. All in favor, motion passed.

Updates

Ridership numbers are down due to Maple Point having their own bus, and no longer loaning vehicles to Mental Health. This might be brought up by IDOT. They are pursuing other groups. Drivers are fully staffed at this point. Medicaid payments are slow.

They are presenting to some villages to introduce services, and request donations for local match. They are scheduled with Hammond, Bement and Atwood.

Sierra-Brown suggested discontinuing Saturday service until March due to low ridership.

Motion Shumard made motion, seconded by Murrell to discontinue Saturday service until March 15. All in favor, and the motion carried.

Sierra-Brown noted that most of the groups that use Piattran will be closed December 23. The County offices are open that day, but they ask that Piattran be closed. There would not be work for the full time people to do.

Motion Murrell made motion, seconded by Shumard that Piattran close on December 23. All in favor, motion carried.

The advisory group meetings are going well.

There have been a few instances of bullying on the bus, which has been dealt with. Also, drug paraphernalia was left on a bus, and was turned into the sheriff's department. The suspected rider was notified that service can be suspended due to illegal material being brought onto the bus.

Public Comments

The meeting schedule for next year was distributed.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, January 5, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

MOTION: Shumard made motion, seconded by Keith to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 2:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer