

Transit Meeting
September 21, 2015

Present; Mr. Rick Blake – Chairman, Mr. Steve Willis, Mr. Gordon Geiger, Sue Kunkel, and Rich Grenfell – Transit Administrator.

Excused Absence – Mr. Tony Kusserow

No Public Comment

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2015 meeting was made by Ms. Kunkel and seconded by Mr. Geiger. C.U.

The Commission discussed the recommendation from WisDOT and Finance Director Unertl to procure an additional FTA Grant in the amount of \$50K to assure the Bus Storage Facility Renovation Project is completed in 2016. A motion to approve the application of such Grant was made by Ms. Kunkel and seconded by Mr. Willis. C.U.

The Commission discussed the continual contract agreement in the amount of \$4,200 with Becher/Hoppe for A & E Services to complete the 2016 Bus Storage Facility Renovation Project. A motion to approve the contract agreement was made by Mr. Geiger and seconded by Mr. Willis. C.U.

Administrator's Report;

The Transit 125 Celebration held on Saturday September 19, 2015 was an amazing success. 178 citizens and visitors rode the Historic "Nickel Tour Trolley Route", with many more visiting the Center of Culture & History. We had numerous requests to make the "Trolley Tour" an annual event. There was also discussion of collaboration with interested parties to purchase a Trolley Bus for such events and other Merrill promotions.

The Transit Administrator reported that WisDOT and RLS Group will be performing a site audit in Merrill on October 7, 2015. It is primarily an Operations and reporting review relative to FTA regulations. All Tiers of Wisconsin's Public Transit will be visited.

Mr. Brad Brummond was introduced and welcomed by the Transit Commission.

Next Transit Meeting: Monday October 19, 2015 @ 4:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Kunkel and seconded by Mr. Geiger. C.U.