

Merrill Transit System
October 21, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present; Mr. Rick Blake(Chairman), Mr. Steve Willis, Mr. Gordon Geiger, Ms. Sue Kunkel and Brad Brummond – Transit Administrator

- 1) Call to order 4:00pm
- 2) Public Comment: None
- 3) Approval of September 9 19, 2019 minutes

A motion to approve minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting was made by Sue Kunkel and seconded by Steve Willis. All ayes, motion approved unanimously.

4) Administrator's Report:

A) New Bus Progress

- a. Production has been moved up to April 27, 2020
- b. Preproduction meeting set for November 5th and 6th. Brad will be attending and booking necessary reservations.
- c. USB charging ports not put on the bus.
- d. Buses to be labeled Merrill Transit System
- e. Seat Fabric chosen to be ABCA30 from samples sent by Gillig

B) Merrill – Go – Round Facebook page

- a. Dustin said that cannot block comments but can block others from posting to the page.
- b. Work with Dustin to get the page set up. Goal of mid-November so that it can be used to get holiday hours information to the public.

C) 2019 Third Quarter Report

- a. Have seen a small increase in ridership
- b. Revenues up due to the type of ridership using the service.
- c. Overall a good quarter compared to last year
- d. A motion to approve minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting was made by Sue Kunkel and seconded by Gordy Geiger. All ayes, motion approved unanimously

D) Discussion of offering free rides to students in 2020 after the school year until July 4th.

- a. Would increase ridership
- b. Get students familiar with Merrill Transit
- c. Hopefully continue to use after July 4th
 - i. Would increase both ridership and revenues during the slower summer months.

5) Next meeting date will be November 18, 2019. Merrill Transit Office, City Hall 1004 E 1st St. Merrill, WI 54452

6) Motion to adjourn was made by Sue Kunkel and seconded by Steve Willis. All ayes, motion approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted by:

Brad Brummond
Transit Administrator