

Minutes

SHEBOYGAN TRANSIT COMMISSION

Tuesday October 19, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

Third Floor Conference Room – City Hall

Members: Lee Montemayor, Chair; Ald. Jean Kittelson, Vice-Chair; Mayor Bob Ryan; Ald. James Bohren; Ald. Don Hammond; Jim Gilligan; Chief Chris Domagalski; Director of Planning & Economic Development; Ron McDonald (Ex-officio Member)

Others in Attendance: Kevin Kellner, Deputy Director; Ann Koeller, Administrative Assistant; Scott Navis, ATU #998; Ald. Joe Heidemann (Proxy for Ald. James Bohren; Chad Pelishek (Proxy for Planning & Economic Development); Brian Vandoske

1. Call to order at 5:00 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve Minutes from September 14, 2010 Meeting

Ald. Jean Kittelson motioned to approve the minutes. Jim Gilligan seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Information Items:

4. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Lakeshore Metro introduction held October 04, 2010

Mayor Ryan and Transit Commission Chair Lee Montemayor introduced the Lakeshore Metro brand along with the newly acquired clean diesel buses. Lakeshore Metro placed five (5) low-floor Gillig buses into service on October 04th. The newly acquired fleet is equipped with low emission “clean-diesel” engines, benefitting Sheboygan County’s air quality. The clean-diesel emissions are approximately 100 times cleaner than previous diesel engines. Thank you to the passengers, Mayor, commissioners, alderpersons, staff, and media for their participation.

5. Public Input (Time limits are at the discretion of the Commission)

Brain Vandoske spoke

6. Ridership and Revenue Information

Parking Utility revenue is tracking a little ahead of last year at this time. Fixed route bus service ridership for the month of September was up .3%. Revenue for the year is up 1.8%. RTC passenger trips for the month of September were 5,433. Revenue for September was \$15,839. Both are tracking as expected.

Business Items:

7. Petition requesting bus service to Maywood Park and the Quarry, submitted by Mr. Derek Tess

This item was referred to the TDP committee.

8. Res. No. 116 - 10 - 11. (13-38) By Alderperson Kittelson. October 4, 2010.

A RESOLUTION authorizing the filing of an application with the United States of America Department of Transportation and authorizing the executing of the contract pertaining to grants for calendar year 2011, under former Section 9 (USC 5307) and Section 3 (USC 5309) of the Federal Transit Act of 1964, as amended.

Chief Chris Domagalski motioned to forward a favorable recommendation to the Common council for adoption of the resolution. Ald. Don Hammond seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

9. Authorization to proceed with disposal of five (5) Chance RT-52 buses

Mr. McDonald reported the current fleet considered for disposal includes RTS buses and Chance RT-52 buses. Both fleets exceeded their life expectancy twice. The RTS buses are not ADA accessible and are grandfathered for ADA purposes. The Chance buses are ADA accessible (lift-equipped). However, parts are no longer available for the lifts. Consequently, the lifts are for all practical purposes inoperable. That issue alone makes Lakeshore Metro non-compliant with federal regulations without any reasonable expectation compliance can be achieved. Therefore, the decision is warranted to place five (5) Chance buses for sale. Two Chance buses are expected to remain on property for spare buses, used as a back-up to the back-up fleet.

With that being said, the remaining RTS buses are greater than 20 years old. There are no guarantees one or more of those buses won't have a major failure that exceeds the value of the bus. Staff will have to determine the best course of action if something occurs.

Jim Gilligan motioned to proceed with the disposal of five (5) Chance RT-52 buses. Ald. Jean Kittelson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

10. Sheboygan Transit Budget - Review and possible action

Jim Gilligan motioned to forward the Transit budget to the Common council with a positive recommendation on behalf of the Transit Commission. Ald. Jean Kittelson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

11. Sheboygan Parking Utility Budget - Review and possible action

Chad Pelishek motioned to forward the Parking Utility budget to the Common council with a positive recommendation on behalf of the Transit Commission. Ald. Jean Kittelson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Set next meeting date: To be determined

Ald. Jean Kittelson motioned to adjourn meeting. Chair Lee Montemayor seconded the motion. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ann Koeller, Administrative Assistant