



OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION  
A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD FOR TRANSIT MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2022

3:00 p.m.

This meeting took place in person and via electronic means.

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ATTENDEES

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Bill Achor	Kimberly Ader
Christy Evers	Brandie Fisher
Shannon Porter	Jeff Robinson
Karen Ruff	

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STAFF PRESENT

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Andy Thomason	Sara Fields
Debbie Parks	Nicole Stokes

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I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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Mr. Thomason brought the meeting to order at 3:02 pm. Introductions were made.

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II. APPROVAL OF 02-10-2022 MINUTES

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Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Fisher, to approve the minutes from 02-10-2022. The motion passed.

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III. SECTION 5310 CALL-FOR-PROJECTS TIMELINE

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Mr. Thomason presented the proposed timeline for a call-for-projects for Section 5310 funds in late CY 2022. Critical milestones leading up to the planned call-for-projects were highlighted. The Board agreed a 1.5-month timeline was reasonable. Ms. Evers with MoDOT is hoping to receive bids on the pricing of new 2024 chassis sometime in September.

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IV. SECTION 5310 APPLICATION AND GUIDEBOOK

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Mr. Thomason reviewed the Section 5310 application and guidebook for the Board. The Board suggested consolidating some of the application's appendices. Mr. Achor inquired about the annual reporting. Ms. Evers stated she could provide the documentation needed for the annual reporting to Mr. Achor.

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V. MEMBER UPDATES

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Mr. Robinson stated that OATS is still experiencing a driver shortage. Also, some of their fleet is aging and for those needing parts, some are on back order which could impact service.

Ms. Ruff shared the Arch of the Ozarks is in need of more vehicles.



Mr. Achor reported the Senior Fund of Christian County purchased 293 box fans seniors within the county. Most have already been distributed. The Senior Fund also purchased a used wheelchair accessible van that they are using in Nixa.

Ms. Fisher stated City Utilities are also experiencing a driver shortage. They are down 20%. They have also experienced an increase in Access Express applications. CU is trying to purchase paratransit vans which has been challenging. The MPTA State Conference will be held in Springfield.

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#### V. NEXT MEETING DATE

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The next meeting will be dependent on the timing of the upcoming call-for-projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 pm.

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Approved on 8/10/2023.

Attested By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Jeff Robinson, LCBT Chair

