



TRANSIT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

5/8/19

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by Alvie Maxey at 4:15 P.M.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Alvie began the meeting by introducing himself and the staff in attendance. Members present from staff included: Alvie Maxey, Transit Manager; Jennifer Orlando, Community Transportation Coordinator; and Jeff Beaver, Transit Operations Supervisor.
2. Alvie explained that the Assistant Transit Planner position had been filled by Greg Story.
3. Fixed Route Bus Service Updates:
 - Holidays: There will be no Transit services on the following Holidays:
 - **Monday, May. 27th**: Memorial Day
 - **Thursday, July. 4th**: Independence Day
 - Special Events:
 - The **Bus to Pools** program will start June 13th and will run through August 31st at Franklin and Lion's pool.
 - The **July 4th Shuttle** service will be provided to the fairgrounds from 3 different locations – Eisenhower High School, Wide Hollow Elementary, and the Gateway Center Parking lot. Shuttles will run from 3:30PM – 11:30PM.
 - Summer Bus book will start June 17th to September 2nd.
4. Dial-A-Ride Service: No updates.
5. Vanpool Service: Applied for a grant to replace 3 vanpool vans.
6. Ellensburg Commuter: It was reported that the Ellensburg Commuter was operating as expected and that it will be switching over to summer run times as colleges let out.
7. Regional Mobility Grant: It was reported that new Transit shelters are in the process of being placed and this work should be concluded by mid-June.
8. **DOUBLEMAP**:

Alvie explained that an extensive RFP was done and was narrowed down to 3 vendors by 6 scoring participants. The scoring committee was made up of 3 IT staff and 3 Transit staff. The 3 vendors were DoubleMap, TripSpark, and Connexions. The awarded vendor was DoubleMap. The kickoff for this project began March 19th to gather all the data and information for an install

team to come on site for the initial install. The first round of installs started this week May 6th – 10th. During this phase the Tablets, APCs, AVA, and internal sign wiring will be completed. The second phase of installs will begin at the beginning of June. The Trip planner is still in development phase for our rider app along with our backend CAD/AVL system.

Overall, this project is expected to improve the rider experience and allow operators to focus on safety and customer service. We will also be able to gather data in order to make our system run more efficiently in the future and provide very accurate data to the State and Federal Government for reporting purposes.

➤ OPEN DISCUSSION:

There was continuing discussion regarding some of the benefits of the Doublemap system. There was also an inquiry about placing bathrooms in the buses and about having Transit buses running in conjunction with the Pippins games. It was explained that bathrooms on buses and the later run times for ballgames would be cost prohibitive at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Next Meeting will be held on August 7, 2019.