Mason County Transportation Advisory Board Minutes October 25, 2011

Meeting Called to Order: 5:30 pm.

MCTAB Members in Attendance:

John Piety; Chair, Mary Ogg: Vice Chair/Secretary, John Calabrese, Gene Currier, Kevin Frankeberger, Lauren Gessler, Pam Hillstrom. Absent: Glenn Fourre.

Others Present:

Libby Avery; TCC Manager, Christina Kramer: MTA Administrative Assistant, Dave O'Connell, MTA General Manager, Mike Oliver; MTA Operations Manager.

Minutes Approved from August 23rd and September 13th joint meeting: Hillstrom/Calabrese.

Old Business:

- Bill of Rights: Accepted final draft to forward to the Board. Gessler/Currier.
- Update By-Laws: **Accepted** changes to be forwarded to the Board: See Attatched. Return the committees as they were in the most recent former Bylaws. **Calabrese/Gessler**. Accept Honory Appointment definition: **Currier/Gessler**.
- Comment Cards: The Advisory Board would like to continue reviewing the comment cards.
- Update on General Manager: Brad Patterson was selected.
- MCTAB on Buses: Discussion on promoting MCTAB membership on the buses using PSA format or a flyer/brochure.

New Business:

- Voting Accessibility Committee: Karen Herr; Mason County Auditors Office extends an invitation for interested member(s) to participate on a voter accessibility committee.
- Joint Citizen Advisory Committees: Larry Elliott; Chair KTCAC (Kitsap Transit Citizens Advisory Committee) is willing to host a CAC for 2012. Traditionally it has been in September on a Thursday however next year a Saturday maybe considered. There maybe a \$50.00 cover charge. Discussion about asking MTA for a MCTAB budget around \$1000. for members to attend CAC next year and a state conference if one is available.
- John P sent a MCTAB membership invitation to Donna Mann. John passed around her comments about a recent article in <u>The Journal regarding Libby A.</u> promoting accessibility in the community.
- Nomination Committee: Mary O and Lauren G.
- Link Service: John P and Kevin F. had several questions and comments to Ops Manager Mike O. how to better make the Mason County Link service better known to the community and how to access it, or use dial a ride or perhaps the ASA. Also a question on how to schedule a ride on Sunday.

General Managers Report:

Dave O. in his count down to retirement reinvigorated the vital role of MCTAB to represent riders and transit users in the community. Recently riding Route 6 to Olympia noticed how many folks were using transit to and from the Kamilche bus stop near the casino and expressing the benefits of transit in the community, and recently received notification on renovation funding for the Transit Community Center downtown Shelton being a highlight in this and the coming year for our area.

Operations Manager Report:

Mike O. reported the recent system changes are going well and the Route 6 fit well with Intercity Transit's schedule however, some challenges for riders going on to Pierce County. Regarding the schedule office changes staff were advised to give a period of a learning curve so riders could get used to the new times of operation.

We're expecting to hear from the City of Shelton soon regarding the Late Comers Agreement for water

hook up.

Good of the Order:

Suggestion for next printing of the schedule's when using the acronym PSNS have a glossary or some other way to identify acronyms aka: Puget Sound Navel Shipyard.

Public comment: None.

Adjournment: 6:47pm

Next Meeting: 5:30 pm. Tuesday

November 15, 2011 790 Johns Prairie Road Shelton, WA 98584