Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM

Members Present: Dick Joyce, Ann Gill, John Almer
Members Absent: Eric Rasmusson, John Roth
Also Present: Ron Severson, Sandy Pommier, Sherey Zerbian
Media: Terry Christensen

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 5, 2012 meeting was made by Almer, seconded by Gill. Motion carried.

No Public Comment.

Reappointments:
Minooka Fire Protection District-
Doug Thompson for a three year term. Motion to recommend to the County Board by Gill/Almer. Motion carried.

Verona/Kinsman Fire Protection District-
Howard Hyslop for a three year term. Motion to recommend to the County Board by Almer/Gill. Motion carried.
Jerry Stitt for a three year term. Motion to recommend to the County Board by Gill/Almer. Motion carried.

Expense Report & Policy for Business Related Expenses:
Pommier presented the revised draft including the changes requested by the committee. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Almer to recommend the revised report and policy to the County Board for approval. Motion carried.

Transit Business: Sherey Zerbian, Director
Approval of Claims: Motion by Almer, seconded by Gill. Motion carried.

Zerbian presented a resolution authorizing application for a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant under the IL Department of Transportation (IDOT) general authority to make such grants. A motion was made by Almer, seconded by Gill to recommend the resolution to the County Board for approval. Motion carried.

Zerbian presented a resolution authorizing application for Public Transportation Financial Assistance under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act of 1991. A motion was made by Almer, seconded by Gill to recommend the resolution, after final proofing and editing, to the County Board to be placed on file. Motion carried.

Zerbian presented an ordinance to provide for Public Transportation in Grundy County. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Almer to recommend the ordinance, after final proofing and editing, to the County Board to be placed on file. Motion carried.

No action was required on the Applicant's Certification of Intent.

Zerbian told the committee that the number of rides has increased with 500 in February. Currently there are three buses on the roads, with two new runs starting next week; service to Joliet on Tuesdays and Thursdays and through Marseilles to Ottawa the first and third Fridays from 9AM-3PM. Sherey stated that IDOT will be publishing the services in the Morris Herald, as well as Statewide beginning Wednesday.
Sherey presented the fare cards that will be sold on the buses that will provide a cost savings to those who purchase the multiple ride cards. Also presented were the Grundy Transit System Mission Statement and Passenger Handbook for the committee's review.
Zerbian updated the committee on the recent networking meetings and seminars that she has been attending.

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Sherey told the committee that the company that was manufacturing the hybrid bus is no longer in business.

Chairman Severson updated the committee on the attempts made to get the railroad crossing on East Route 6, owned by Canadian National, repaired. He stated that traffic is going into the wrong lane in order to avoid the rough crossing and is concerned with the risk of accidents. The engineer is supposed to be out to look into it this week.

No executive session was held.

No New/Old Business was discussed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Almer, seconded by Gill. Motion carried.

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