



**Local Advisory Committee**  
Thursday, March 5, 2020 12:00PM  
**Benzie Bus Station**  
**Minutes Approved as Presented December 17, 2020**

**Members:**

Matt Goodlin – Chair Absent  
Richard Heniser Present  
Bev Popp Present  
Jeannette Feeheley Absent  
Irene Nugent Present

Doug Durand – Vice Chair Present  
Ingemar Johansson Absent  
Ruth Ann Tyler Absent  
Dorene Strang Present  
Jerry Heiman Present

**Welcome and Call to Order** Doug Durand called the meeting called to order at 12:05PM

**Roll Call**

**Public Comment** Bev stated that she rode the bus to the meeting and her driver is very happy working here. He feels heard as an employee, and loves his job.

**Review and Approve Agenda** *Motion* by Jerry second by Bev to approve agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

**Review and Approve December 5, 2019 Meeting Minutes** *Motion* by Bev second by Dorene to approve December 5, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

**Discussion:**

**Audit Results** - Jim Anderson completed the FY2019 Audit Report. We ended the year with a net position of \$81,560. Jim was pleased with where we are, and there were no major findings. We are required to complete a full audit annually.

**Millage Renewal** Millage renewal of .49mills is on the ballot March 10th. Management has been working hard to educate our riders and the public on the importance of this renewal for our overall budget. The Friends Group raised \$1300.00 for their advocacy efforts which included mailing postcards to all absentee voters; purchasing two banners; and purchasing sticker ads for the Record Patriot.

**Pending Grants: Mobility for All, Low/No Emissions** We have applied for \$227k through the Federal Transit Administration to purchase 2 small vehicles and add-ons for our new dispatch software that will work much like the SPLT app was meant to. Bill discussed a Low/No emissions \$180k grant to purchase electric vehicles and charging stations.

**4 New Vehicles (May)** On track to receive 4 new Cutaway vehicles in May.

**Computer-aided Dispatch Software** RFP is in the hands of the procurement specialist at MDOT. We expect it back any day at which point we can open it up for bids. Hoping for a July implementation



**Service Updates** At the beginning of January we expanded the Frankfort-Beulah Flex Route to offer additional times.

**Public Comment** Bill discussed the rider and non-rider surveys. Jessica will send the draft survey out to the committee for their input.

**Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 12:55PM

**2020 Meeting Schedule** June 4, September 3, December 17 or January 7

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Recording Secretary

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Date