

Transportation Authority of Calhoun County
Meeting Minutes
Marshall City Hall – Council Chambers
323 West Michigan Avenue, Marshall, MI 49068
June 10, 2025

- I. **Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Tom Tarkiewicz at 9:02 a.m.
- II. **Roll Call**
Members Present: Tom Tarkiewicz, Vivian Davis, Amy Evans, Dr. Paul Watson, Maya Williams
Members Absent: Jenasia Morris (in at 9:10 a.m.), Erick Stewart (attended via zoom)
- III. **Agenda**
It was motioned by Vivian and supported by Amy to approve the agenda.
Motion Carried.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
It was motioned by Amy and supported by Dr. Watson to approve May 27, 2025, Minutes.
Motion Carried.
- V. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**
None.
- VI. **Consent Agenda**
None.
- VII. **Finance and Budget Report**
Update was given by Amy on tax payments, bills and interest accrual. Detailed reports provided to Board Members.
It was motioned by Vivian and supported by Dr. Watson to accept June 10, 2025, Budget and Finance Reports.
Motion Carried.
- VIII. **Public Hearing and Subsequent Board Action**
None.
- IX. **Unfinished Business**
 - a) Kristy Grestini, Battle Creek Transit Mobility Manager, updated the Board on BCGO's current status in Albion. The first week of service BCGO provided one ride and spent the rest of their time canvassing the city, passing out flyers, business cards and visiting different businesses within Albion. Interest outside of the city has been identified with the exposure of the new vehicle in the area. Staff are considering a change in the service area to improve ridership if interest does not pick up. Mallory Avis, Battle Creek Transit Director informed the Board of service changes that will be made when the BCGO pilot program ends and TACC takes over with a different service. She cautions marketing for a current service that will not be available much longer. Erick mentioned service area transition being included in the marketing strategy currently being worked on with King Media.
 - b) One proposal has been received for the Accounting Services RFP and with some further clarification; the Review Committee is hoping to recommend Board approval at the next Board meeting.
 - c) The Board is waiting for a final draft from attorneys for a Shared Executive Agreement between the TACC and the City of Battle Creek.

- d) A retreat work session scheduled for Thursday, June 12 was discussed. King Media is working with staff and the Board to take over the Ride Calhoun website and a communication plan.

X. New Business

- a) It was motioned by Vivian and supported by Jenasia to grant Maya Williams access to the TACC bank account. Amy Evans will continue to have access until August 1, to ensure a smooth transition for Maya as the new Board Treasurer.

Motion Passed.

- b) Jeff Franklin, BCATS Director, informed the Board of being added to BCATS through a local funding resolution and would begin to contribute local matching funds after October 1, if approved by the Board.

It was moved by Amy and supported by Maya to accept the local funding resolution presented by BCATS.

Motion Passed

XI. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None.

XII. Board and Executive Director Comments

- a) Tom updated the Senior Millage Allocation Committee (SMAC) on TACC status and progress. A SMAC Board member representing Albion voiced concern about fare structure and service area impacts to the community. Strategic planning was discussed and communicating that to the SMAC Board soon.
- b) No Legislative updates.
- c) Jeff Franklin informed the Board of the successful adoption of their public participation plan. The TIP (Transportation Improvement Program) has been locally adopted and anticipated to be federally adopted in September. BCATS has funding available to be flexed from highways to transit.
- d) Peter Varga, Board Consultant, is pleased with the Board's relationship with BCATS and feels positive about MDOT and FTA's positions on the TACC progress towards designated recipient status. Tom mentioned fare free trips on ozone action days which started a conversation about CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation Air Quality) funding and programs.

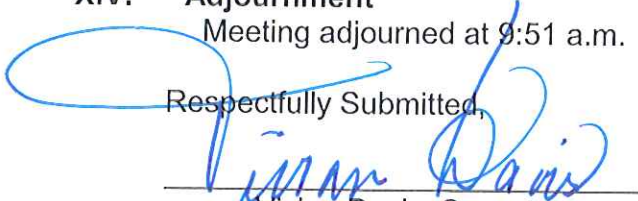
XIII. Next Meeting

Next meeting – June 24, 2025

XIV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vivian Davis, Secretary



Erick Stewart, Chair