Transportation Authority of Calhoun County
Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2026
Ride Calhoun Administrative Offices
49 South Cass St., Battle Creek, MI 49037

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Tom Tarkiewicz at 5:31pm

II. Roll Call

Members present: Tom Tarkiewicz, Vivian Davis, Maya Williams, Amy Evans, and Dr. Paul Watson.

Members absent: Erick Stewart and Jenasia Morris.

III. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Watson asked that we adjust the agenda to reflect that the finance committee would be meeting on September 2, 2026, at 3 pm. It was motioned by Evans and supported by Williams to approve the agenda as adjusted.

Motion carried.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None.

V. Consent Agenda

It was motioned by Davis and supported by Williams to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion carried.

VI. Unfinished Business

None.

VII. New Business

a) It was motioned by Evans and supported by Davis to approve Resolution 27-2026 – Adoption of Act 88, Reciprocal Pension Act.
Motion carried by roll call vote

b) It was motioned by Davis and supported by Williams to approve Resolution 28-2026 – Award of contract for RFP #03-2026.
Motion carried.

c) It was motioned by Evans and supported by Watson to approve Resolution 29-2026 – MissionSquare 457 Deferred Compensation Plan.
Motion carried by roll call vote.

d) FY2027 Preliminary Budget. Mallory provided information to the board. No action required.

VIII. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None.

IX. Board and Executive Director Comments

a) Communications to the Board - None.

b) Consultant Updates – Clark Harder did not have an update other than to comment that transit budgets are the most complex in government budgets.

c) Executive Director Comments – Mallory wanted to point out to the board that the financial reports will now have a different look since they are mostly separate from the City so we should be able to have a full picture now of TACC's financials.

d) Board Member Comments –

i. Dr. Watson expressed his appreciation to the Board and staff for their condolences on the recent passing of his mother. He also reported Mallory had received a shout out at the recent Chamber Eye Opener Breakfast on her presentation at the Women in Business event.

ii. Davis stated that TACC staff's recent presentation to the City Council in Albion went very well. She also questioned what the status was with each township. Letters have gone out and a couple of the townships have engaged back. Tarkiewicz reiterated that it's imported that we remind people to call their elected officials if they are in an area that is not currently receiving service due to opting out.

iii. Davis questioned if TACC was going to do anything different on election day regarding ridership. Discussion was held and Mallory will get an estimate of what a single day fare estimate is and also check with the City Clerk's office to see what grant they had applied for in the past to provide free rides on election day.

X. Next Meeting

a) Finance Committee – September 2, 2026 at 3 pm.

b) Budget Workshop – September 9, 2026 (5:30 pm at Ride Calhoun Administrative Office)

c) Board Meeting – September 9, 2026 (immediately following budget workshop at Ride Calhoun Administrative Office)

XI. Adjournment

6:07pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivian Davis

Vivian Davis, Secretary