

Transportation Authority of Calhoun County
Meeting Minutes
Marshall City Hall – Council Chambers
323 West Michigan Avenue, Marshall, MI 49068
August 13, 2024

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Erick Stewart at 9:16 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Amy Evans, Dr. Paul Watson, Vivian Davis, Tom Tarkiewicz, Linda Morrison

Staff Members Present: Mallory Avis, Kristy Grestini, Matt McKee, Doug Ferrall

Absent Member: Jenasia Morris

III. Agenda

It was moved by Tom and seconded by Amy to amend the agenda by adding the June 4, 2024, minutes to item III. Approval of Minutes and changing VIII. Public Hearings and Subsequent Board Action to Finance and Budget Report. Motion Carried.

IV. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Linda and supported by Tom to approve the July 23, 2024. Motion Carried

It was moved Tom and supported by Amy to approve the June 4, 2024, minutes. Motion Carried

V. Public Comment on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

VI. Consent Agenda

No items were on the consent agenda.

VII. Presentation and Recognitions

No presentations or Recognitions were brought forth.

VIII. Finance and Budget Report

Linda reported TACC expenses. The amount of \$25,062.63 was the cash balance as of 8/13/24. The invoice amount from Peter Varga, TACC Consultant, was \$1,202.50. The purchase of checks amount was \$37.60.

The City of Marshall paid their \$25,000 TACC contribution for consulting services. The cities of Albion, Battle Creek and Springfield, along with Calhoun County have until August 31, 2024, to pay their portions of the TACC consulting services. TACC received a \$100 donation.

On August 29, 2024, a meeting will be held in the Marshall City Hall Training Room with local taxing authorities to discuss taxable values.

Tom shared a Blue Oval update regarding the potential increased tax revenues and their effect on the proposed TACC millage.

IX. Unfinished Business:

a. Update on insurance options and recommendations

Linda reported the insurance application to Insurance Services of Michigan in Battle Creek has been submitted. The final determination is expected soon.

b. Conflict of Interest Policy

Paul moved and Linda supported the motion accept TACC's Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy revisions from the June 25, 2024 meeting, to clarify language consistency and increase understanding. Motion Carried.

c. Ride Calhoun – Marketing Update and Name Presentation

Erick shared the new Ride Calhoun PowerPoint presentation. Each presentation will be tailored to address the unique needs of each community. The focus in each community will highlight the need for improved transportation and the mission behind this initiative. Sharing survey results that 20,000 people in Calhoun County aren't receiving rides to get where they need to go is relevant in all communities.

Presentations have been scheduled with the following organizations and municipalities:

- Battle Creek City Commission
- Marshall Rotary
- Marshall Exchange Club
- Albion City Council
- Heritage Commons
- Senior Millage Committee
- Chamber of Commerce - What's Brewing
- SMAC Senior Ambassadors
- Albion Rotary
- Calhoun County Democrats
- Women's Co-Op

Staff is welcome to attend presentations to support TACC board members who will present the information.

X. New Business

TACC Ballot proposal language for the November 5th election has been signed and submitted to the County Elections Office.

XI. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Doug reported Calhoun County's \$50,000 check will be mailed to TACC for their portion of consulting services.

XII. Board and Executive Director Comments

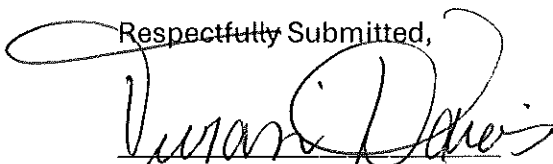
- Doug was congratulated on the County's recreation millage passage with a 62% approval rate.
- City of Marshall's Trash millage passed by an 82% approval rate.
- Marshall Schools millage will be divided into three categories to address specific needs in the district, including facility improvements and student experience.
- Erick shared that Senior Millage Allocation Committee will coordinate a transit forum to be used for senior transportation.
- Continued efforts will be made to develop strategies for transportation implementation throughout the county.
- Collaborations will be made regarding SMAC funds for senior transportation and Ride Calhoun.

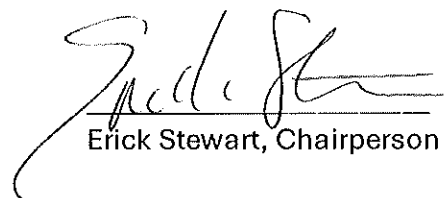
XIII. Next meeting

The next TACC meeting will be held August 27, 2024, Marshall City Hall Council Chambers.

XIV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivian Davis, Secretary


Erick Stewart, Chairperson

Adopted August 27, 2024