

**Transportation Authority of Calhoun County**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Marshall City Hall – Council Chambers**  
**323 West Michigan Avenue, Marshall, MI 49068**  
**August 27, 2024**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Erick Stewart at 9:03 a.m.

**II. Roll Call**

Members Present: Erick Stewart, Amy Evans, Dr. Paul Watson, Vivian Davis, Tom Tarkiewicz, Jenasia Morris

Absent Member: Linda Morrison

**III. Agenda**

It was moved by Dr. Watson and supported by Vivian to approve the agenda. Vivian added items to unfinished business to address senior citizen education and participation at senior living facilities in Albion.

Motion Carried.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Tom and supported by Jenasia to approve the August 13, 2024.

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**

- Jenasia spoke on the proposed ordinance change at the City of Battle Creek commission meeting.
- Dr. Watson and Linda are working with Women's Network for a presentation date next month.
- Vivian mentioned interest in the Albion area and potential presentations possible soon.
- Discussion was had about millage affordability options.

**VIII. Finance and Budget Report**

Linda forwarded Erick the first balance sheet starting with \$250,062.63 ending with \$236,610.13 after revenue and expenditures. Linda will elaborate at the next meeting.

**IX. Public Hearings and Subsequent Board Actions**

None.

**X. Unfinished Business**

- **Update on insurance options and recommendations**  
Tabled.
- **Ride Calhoun – Marketing Update and Presentations**  
Vivian will present to Forks Senior Center on 8/29. The Board discussed good times to schedule presentations for Senior Centers and the Rotary in Albion.

**XI. New Business**

- Board discussed absentee and military ballots, channels of advertisement along with cost and strategy. The size of ads in local newspapers, letters to the editor and the cost effectiveness of each was discussed.
- Erick spoke about reaching out to the LAC and work on the friends of Transit.

**XII. Public Comments and Non-Agenda Items**

- Doug Ferrall suggested flyers in utility bills where available.
- Derek Perry will investigate the current City of Marshall policy on flyers in utility bills and explained the potential pros and cons.

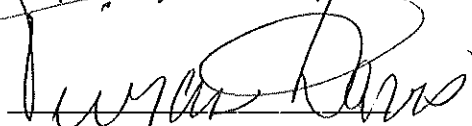
**XIII. Board and Executive Director Comments**

- Jenasia emphasized being transparent to the public moving forward.
- Erick stated the Ride Calhoun website should be up by 9/1/24.
- Next meeting 9/10/24.

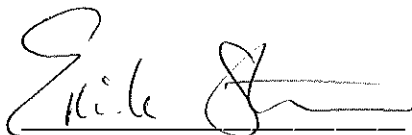
**XIV. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vivian Davis, Secretary



Erick Stewart, Chair