

Transportation Authority of Calhoun County
Meeting Minutes
Marshall City Hall – Council Chambers
323 West Michigan Avenue, Marshall, MI 49068
April 22, 2025

I. Call to Order

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

II. Roll Call

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

Members Absent: Jenasia Morris (in at 9:07a.m.)

III. Agenda

It was motioned by Tom and supported by Vivian to approve the agenda with the addition of the March 25, 2025 Closed Session Minutes approval to item IV.

Motion Carried.

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a) It was motioned by Tom and supported by Amy to approve March 25, 2025 Minutes.

Motion Carried.

- b) It was motioned by Dr. Watson and supported by Tom to approve March 25, 2025 Closed Session Minutes.

Motion Carried.

V. Public Comment on Agenda Items

The Choose Marshall Chamber of Commerce welcomed TACC as a new member and made introductions (New TACC Board member Maya Williams introduced herself as a representative of Battle Creek but represents Calhoun County). Erick Stewart spoke about the importance of building community relationships to enhance mobility in the area. Tom spoke about the improvements being planned for the area. A ribbon cutting and photo op followed.

VI. Consent Agenda

None.

VII. Finance and Budget Report

- Amy distributed a written report to the Board for review.
- Amy reported on delinquent tax revenues throughout the County and interest earned.

It was motioned by Vivian and supported by Jenasia to accept the Finance and Budget Report.

Motion Carried.

VIII. Public Hearings and Subsequent Board Action

None.

IX. Unfinished Business

- a) Amy summarized the TACC Board's Marketing and Communication Services RFP results provided by the Review Committee, which recommended awarding the Marketing and Communication Services Contract to King Media.

b)

It was motioned by Tom and supported by Maya to approve and award the Marketing and Communication Services Contract to King Media.

Motion Carried unanimously by roll call vote

X. New Business

None.

XI. Public Comments and Non-Agenda Items

Mallory Avis, Director of Battle Creek Transit, gave the Board an update on the Albion BCGO plan. The current target date is June 2nd 2025. Dr. Watson brought up a concern with the technology platform (BCGO) being a temporary service with other technology replacing BCGO in the future. Mallory answered several questions from the Board about plans and procedures for service expansion and current operational procedures.

XII. Board and Staff Comments

- a) Amy inquired about the Board's Accounting Services RFP. Mallory will post it on 4/23 with a two-week window. The Board discussed RFP outreach with Mallory.
- b) Mallory Avis updated the Board on BCT electric vehicle and charging infrastructure progress. FTA Region Five workforce has been reduced and restructured. Mallory explained the potential local effects of the restructuring and informed the Board of a Congressionally Directed Spending Request for Battle Creek train station improvements.
- c) Jeff Franklin, Executive Director of BCATS recognized National Work Zone Awareness Week and informed the Board of some work zone crash statistics. A new BCATS Finance Director has been hired. BCATS' Public Participation Plan and FY26 United Work Program are open for public comment through May 28, 2025.
- d) Clark Harder, Consultant to the Board, gave an update on their efforts with policy development, a potential retreat/workshop and future designated recipient status.

XIII. Next Meeting

Next Meeting – May 13th, 2025

XIV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:19a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vivian Davis, Secretary



Erick Stewart, Chair