

Meeting Minutes

Jackson Transit Action Group (TAG)

Date: Thursday, September 7, 2023
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Place: ECIA Zoom Meeting

TAG Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ronelle Clark (Chair)
<i>Outreach Coord., HACAP</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Angela Martensen (VC)
<i>Comm. Integration Supv., ITP</i>
<i>(Carolyn Schaefer**)</i>
<i>(Danielle Kopf**)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Fee
<i>Superintendent, Easton Valley</i>
<i>CSD/Mayor of Andrew</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Ben Davison
<i>Senior Advisor/Comm.</i>
<i>Coach, JCEA</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deb Courter
<i>Case Mngr, Dpt. Human Services</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lynn Bopes
<i>Coord. DS, EI MHDS Region</i>
<i>(Proxy Name)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Huseman
<i>Housing Specialist, EIRHA</i>
<i>(Caitlin Siemionko**)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Schwenker
<i>RTA Board Member,</i>
<i>Jackson County Board of</i>
<i>Supervisors</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sally Davies
<i>Comm. Relations Coord.,</i>
<i>Clover Ridge Place</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ted Strait
<i>Manager, Maquoketa Farmers</i>
<i>Market/Gen Pub</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Tom Meyer
<i>Superintendent, Bellevue CSD</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Hoover
<i>Superintendent,</i>
<i>Maquoketa CSD</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Name (Vacant)
<i>Dialysis, Grand River Medical</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jean Hayes**
<i>Chief Nursing Officer, Jackson</i>
<i>County Regional Health Center</i>
<i>(Pam Schoenthaler**)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Name (Vacant)
<i>Case Manager, MCO</i>
<i>(proxy Name)</i> | |

Others Present: Emma Simmons, IA DOT;

Staff Present:

Chandra Ravada Dan Fox Stacie Scott Gail Kuhle

*Non-Voting Member

**Voting member by Proxy

***Attendance by phone

Call to Order

The Jackson County TAG meeting was called to order by Pam Schoenthaler. Introductions were made at this time.

Agency Updates

Maquoketa Farmers Market

Strait stated the farmers market is up and running and there are only a few weeks left. He noted things are going well and he has notice some frequent riders to the Farmer's Market.

Grant Updates

Aims Grant

Ravada informed the members most of the issues have been resolved and the finish line is getting closer. A few items are still getting ironed out; the automated online scheduling module is not running yet, and the portal for the human service agencies to schedule their rides is currently not working. Both items are being addressed and hopefully will be up and running soon.

Demo of member and facility portal

Kuhle gave a demo of portal noting that the facility portal is used by agencies and the facility portal is best used for General Public rides or single rides.

Update on summer rides.

Kuhle updated the members on summer rides are RTA is providing. The RTA is providing rides for the Jackson County Farmers Market, YMCA events, Little Shepherds daycare for events for the kids, and the Senior center trips. Kuhle requested if any other members know of transportation needs to let the RTA know and they will get clients scheduled.

Update on Farmers Market Transportation

Farmers Market is up and running. Strait stated the only challenge he has is informing the public of the free rides to the farmer's market. Kuhle suggested Strait to send her the flyer he has created and she will post at the RTA and on the buses.

Update on RTA FY 2023 Rides

Ravada informed the members this FY we have 44,988 general public rides, 1,902 senior rides and 4,845 disabled rides. Ravada stated these rides are a little down from last year but are

increasing due to the start of summer. Ravada thanked the members for input on needs within the community as this helps the RTA meet the needs of the community.

Other Topics for Discussion

None at this time.

Adjournment

Bopes adjourned the meeting at 11:28 am.