

Community Transportation Input Committee Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2024, 1:00 PM

Attending: Glenn Lauinger Susan Dingle

Trevor Vannett Jeannie Pedersen

Randee Sailer

Staff: Deidre Hughes Mike Mundahl

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M.

Regular Agenda

- 1. Sales Tax Contribution Update: Deidre said a meeting is scheduled with Mandan to discuss the distribution of funds, the anticipated amount, what service is being provided, and what the gap is currently. Members of the Board and Mandan staff will be participating in the discussion. The Bismarck City Commission did have a conversation last week about the Bismarck measure. Deidre had suggested an application process to the Bismarck City Commission. Deidre said there would be ongoing discussions.
- Grant Application Projects: Deidre said one of the grants Bis-Man Transit is applying for would provide "fat-tire" racks for the CAT bus fleet. Two buses currently have the racks, which would accommodate bicycles with wider wheels. The grant would equip eight additional CAT buses.
- Stuff the Bus: Deidre said "Stuff the Bus" donations will be collected this year for Ministry on the Margins. Donations will be collected throughout the week from December 9th – 13th. A CAT bus will be on-site at the North Family Fare location on 12/12/24 from 3 PM – 7 PM, with volunteers handing out fliers listing specific items that



are needed. Donations will be collected on-site, as well as onboard all buses throughout the week. Bis-Man Transit staff will be working on promotional materials.

- 4. **December Meeting:** Due to the December Board meeting likely being cancelled, CTIC would not meet in December.
- 5. **CAT Ridership Update:** Deidre provided a ridership update for October 2024. CAT provided 13,348 trips, which is the highest month since current records began in July of 2014. Paratransit is seeing a significant increase, which can be attributed to no longer doing trip denials. Ridership is averaging 494 trips per day on fixed route, and 270 trips per day on paratransit. The Black route was the highest-performing route, with 2,989 trips. The Green route was the next most popular route, with 2,592 trips provided. Blue route, which is usually the lowest performing route, had 1,687 trips. UMary ridership was 470 trips.
- 6. **Other Business:** Deidre invited the group to a small, open-to-the-public gathering after the November Board meeting to thank everyone for their advocacy over the past year.

Meeting adjourned at 1:26 P.M.

