

MINUTES

Chippewa-St. Croix Passenger Rail Commission
Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 8:30 A.M.
Virtual Meeting by Microsoft Teams

Present (appointed): Jim Dunning, Scott Rogers, Gary Stene, Gretchen Yonko, Robbie Krejci, Tiffany Weiss, Taylor Greenwell, Erik Evensen, Ann Schell

Present (ex-officio): Kevin Roggenbuck (Ramsey Co.), Bambi Pattermann (Northwood Tech), Vic Stone (Union Pacific), Kyran Hamill (UWEC), Beth Schommer (UWRF), Adam Wehling (CVTC), Rich Kedzior (WisDOT), Greg Mathis (MnDOT)

Others: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk, Krista Vind (technology resource), Jason Szymanski, Richard Kedzior, Mark Quam, Jeff Abboud, Dan Schillinger, Rick Degman, Emily Shively, Ray Chambers, Aaron Bowe. Adam Accola, Heather Graves, Ian Weisser, Jason Szymanski, Kathryn Schauf, Kristin Korpela, Beth Kulick, Mark Quam, Sara Allen, Terry Brown

Public: Present

Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

Chair Dunning called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

Roll Call

Roll call is indicated above.

Public Comment

Christian Noyce, former Town of Washington resident requested a change in the October 23 minutes to include “former” in front of Town of Washington. Expressed being in favor of the letter included in this packet.

Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 23, 2024

Motion by Gary Stene, seconded by Gretchen Yonko to approve the minutes as corrected with the public comment. All in favor, minutes approved as correct.

FRA Scoping Study Update – HDR

Rick Degman provided an update on the study and the step 1 schedule. Advised they are around 60% of the way done with the scoping study.

Next steps – Service Development Plan and matching funding requirements

Motion by Scott Rogers to approve the proposed letter included in the packet, seconded by Gary Stene. Amendment to change the word phase to step, consistent with the DOT’s use of terminology. All in favor, motion passes.

Report: Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission, November 18-20, Scott Rogers

Scott Rogers provided a report on the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission.

Announcements

Members had the opportunity to provide announcements.

Future meeting agenda items

- Status of Scoping Study
- Discussion of sources for 10% match for Service Development Plan

Next meeting date

The next meeting will be a hybrid meeting on January 29, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk
Executive Office Administrator (Eau Claire County)

ATTEST:



1/27/2025

Gretchen Yonko, Commission Secretary