

MINUTES

Chippewa-St. Croix Passenger Rail Commission
Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 8:30 A.M.
Virtual Meeting by Microsoft Teams
or in person at the Dunn County Administrative Building
3001 US Highway 12 E, Menomonie, WI
Room 054

Present (members): Jim Dunning, Scott Rogers, Tiffany Weiss, Erik Evenson, Emily Berge, Gretchen Yonko, Taylor Greenwell, Robbie Krejci, Scott Rogers

Present (ex-officio): Eric Anderson, Erik Guenard, Ethan Osten, Kevin Roggenbuck, Bambi Pattermann, Vic Stone, Beth Schommer, Adam Wehling, Rich Kedzior, Greg Mathis

Present (others): Samantha Kraegenbrink – Clerk, Krista Vind (tech), Dan Schillinger, Dan Elder, Gordon Glass, Heather Graves, Jeff Abboud, Jonathan Moser, Jonathan Stewart, Mark Quam, Greg Mathis, Melissa Meschke, Sara Allen, Sharon McIlquham, Steve Jahn, Terry Brown, Terry Brown

Public: Present

Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

Chair Dunning called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and confirmed meeting minutes.

Roll Call

Roll call is listed above under present.

Ramsey County Update – Kevin Roggenbuck (other updates as available)

Kevin Roggenbuck provided an update for Ramsey County and the Amtrak Borealis.

Election of Chair

Scott Rogers nominates Jim Dunning for Chair. No other nominations. Robbie Krejci seconded the nomination. By voice vote, all in favor.

Election of Vice-Chair

Gretchen Yonko nominates Gary Stene for Vice-chair. No other nominations. Robbie Krejci seconded the nomination. By voice vote, all in favor.

Election of Secretary/Treasurer

Scott Rogers nominates Gretchen Yonko for Secretary/Treasurer. No other nominations. Robbie Krejci seconded the nomination. By voice vote, all in favor.

Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2024

Motion by Robbie Krejci to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Taylor Greenwell. By voice vote, all in favor.

Recap of status of the work of the commission: Scott Rogers

Scott Rogers provided a recap of the commission’s work since inception.

Current Bylaws (review/questions)

Provided for information only.

FRA Grant Update – FRA Planning Committee

Scott Rogers advised the commission is receiving a grant for “Scoping” for \$500,000 with no match required (step 1). Step 2 will be 90% federally funded and 10% locally funded.

Other updates as available

MnDOT (Greg Mathis)

Greg Mathis provided a brief update on behalf of MnDOT.

WisDOT (Rich Kedzior)

Rich Kedzior provided a brief update on behalf of WisDOT.

Announcements

No announcements

Future meeting agenda items

- FRA Grant Process Update

Next meeting date

June 12, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Samantha Kraegenbrink

Executive Office Administrator – Eau Claire County

ATTEST:

Gretchen Yonko

Chippewa-St. Croix Rail Commission Secretary