

MINUTES

Chippewa-St. Croix Passenger Rail Commission
Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 8:30 A.M.
Virtual Meeting by Microsoft Teams

Present (members): Gary Stene, Jeremy Gragert, Jim Dunning, Scott Rogers, Taylor Greenwell, Gretchen Yonko, Ann Schell

Present (ex-officio members): Bambi Pattermann, Beth Schommer, Ethan Osten (8:42 a.m.), Lisa Stern (9:00 a.m.)

Others: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Clerk, Krista Vind, Jackie Pavelski, Richard Kedzior, Mark Quam, Mason Baxter, Nolan Ross, Steve Jahn, Ray Chambers, Richard Kedzior, Robert Strzok, Kevin Roggenbuck, Sharon McIlquham, Susan Foote-Martin, Terry Brown, Vic Stone

Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

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

Roll Call with municipality

Roll call is listed above under present.

Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2023

Motion by Gary Stene to approve the minutes. No deletions, corrections, or additions. Minutes approved.

**Ann Schell arrived at 8:38 a.m.*

Update: WisDOT – Rich Kedzior

Rich Kedzior provided an update on rail service in WisDOT. Rich also provided an update for the Milwaukee to Twin Cities route. An update on the communication/work with the FRA regarding routes and grants/funding was also briefly reviewed. The commission had the opportunity to discuss and ask questions.

Update on Corridor ID: FRA grant working group – Scott Rogers, Ann Schell

Scott Rogers provided an update on the Corridor ID: FRA grant. Scott advised a small work group has been formed to work through the logistics of obtaining funds and completing required steps set forth by the FRA.

Other updates as available

- Ramsey County
 - i. Kevin Roggenbuck provided an update from Ramsey County.
- MnDOT
 - i. Scott Rogers provided an update from MnDOT on behalf of Greg Mathis.
- AIPRO
 - i. Mason Baxter provided an update from AIPRO.

Announcements

Commission members were given the opportunity to provide an relevant announcements.

Future meeting agenda items

- Invite Commissioner Vruwink to join a future meeting

Next meeting date

The next meeting will be on April 10, 2024

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Samantha Kraegenbrink – Assistant to the County Administrator, Eau Claire County

Jeremy Gragert Attest