<u>Lenawee Transportation Task Force - meeting 3/24/21</u> Minutes

Nancy Bishop kicked off the meeting at 10 a.m.

Present:

Ashley Vandenbusche Don Taylor

Chris Miller Marcia Bohannon
Jessica Sattler Nancy Bishop
Jim Van Doren Clint Brugger
Misty Pope Tricia Commet
Frank Nagle Ben Newsome
Dave Maxwell John Haught
Madeline DeMarco Amy Young

The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed for approval. Moved by Miller, seconded by Haught. Motion carried.

Mobility Manager Report

Misty is currently updating the transportation guide and is going through MDOT training.

Task Force Subcommittee Updates

Chris presented an update from the subcommittee. The focus has been on the pilot shuttle service between Adrian and Tecumseh. Goal is to implement in mid summer of 2021 to run partially through 2022. First Student to run the route. Next meeting is in a couple of weeks. This subcommittee is sometimes referred to as the Central Lenawee Subcommittee and will discuss how to best refer to the subcommittee at their next subcommittee meeting.

Transportation Needs

Nancy discussed the challenges they are facing with recruiting and retaining volunteers. Marcia and Nancy are communicating regularly on these needs, however, Nancy's clients have needs outside of the county that are not being met.

Commute with Enterprise Van Pool

Someone will be present at the April meeting to discuss this in greater detail.

Agency Updates

Amy reported that two drivers have been hired.

Frank reported that the hospital is working on a transportation model internally. Transportation is heavily regulated and there are not many "best practices" out there. Lenawee's transportation needs are unique.

Dial-a-Ride has seen an uptick in Adrian. Lenawee's transportation is experiencing an uptick. The Office of Transportation/CARES funds have become available.

Lenawee Now noted that we should be discussing how we might be able to utilize new monies that are coming in from the federal government to assist in meeting our transportation needs.

Motion to adjourn by Van Doren, seconded by Maxwell. Motion carried. The next meeting will be April 28th.