

TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 27, 2018

Presiding: Chair Walt Daniels

Committee Present: Carol Luce, Todd Aune, Don Smeback, Elizabeth Burrows Chapin, and Arlene Dana

Committee Absent: Matt Olsen

Staff Present: Julie Wehling, Nancy Muller, and Kay Hemstreet

Others Present: Enoch (Spanish interpreter)

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Daniels called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City of Canby Council Chambers.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The minutes from the July 19 and August 23, 2018 meetings were reviewed.

Carol Luce made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Don Smeback and passed 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Operations Report: Kay Hemstreet gave the ridership reports for July and August. She compared the ridership by route from last year with this year which showed ridership was going up. Part of that was due to the increased service hours. The Shopper Shuttle and Dial-A-Ride were also up. There was a decrease in same day rides. New drivers had been hired as well.

- B. Bi Monthly Report: Julie Wehling announced the Rider of the Month for July was Samantha Smith and for August it was Tracy Chenoweth. There had been no accidents in July. On August 27th a bus hit a fixed object at the fueling station and on August 31st a bus hit a parked vehicle on S Pine Street. No one was injured in either incident and damage to the vehicles was minor. Ms Wehling had decided to provide simultaneous interpretation at all Transit Advisory Committee meetings from now on in hopes of getting better participation from the Hispanic community at meetings. There would be a survey on Route 99X from Cherriots (Salem's transit system). They were looking at where people were boarding, transferring from one service or route to another and where they were going. The dates of the survey were October 1st through October 12th. Ms Wehling recently found out that the application for a replacement bus had been approved. CAT will be receiving

\$352,000 in grant funds and the City would pay a \$88,000 in match funds for the bus. There were a few people who did not realize the fair shuttle was not running this year and had been stranded. Ms Wehling said the back door number is what Fair Grounds staff should call after 5pm during the fair if someone is stranded.

There was discussion regarding the expected life of the buses and attending Bridging Cultures and other meetings to pass out transit information.

C. STIF Funding Update: Ms. Wehling gave an update on the STIF projects. The City of Canby's projects were approved on August 24th. The projects would be a part of the Tri-Met STIF plan. The funding would be approved by TriMet and then ODOT and the OTC before it is available to CAT. Tri-Met held several public meetings and their plan was available online.

D. Oregon Transit Association Conference: Ms. Wehling said the Oregon Transit Association Conference was being held in Bend from October 28th through October 31st. The venue was the River House on the Deschutes. It has poor accessibility for some people; there was no elevator to the 2nd floor rooms. The terrain was also challenging. Seaside's convention center was undergoing some construction/remodeling and was not available this year. Bend was the only location that could accommodate the conference with late notice. She asked if a Committee member would like to attend. There was consensus from the Committee that Carol Luce would attend the conference.

There was discussion regarding the qualifications for Transit Advisory Committee members.

The next meeting would be held on November 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

CITIZEN INPUT: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS: None

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Assisted with Preparation of Minutes – Susan Wood and Nancy Muller