

MILWAUKEE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Deb Falk-Palec, Chairperson
Tim Ochnikowski, Director
July 13, 2015

MINUTES

St. John's Properties
1800 N. Prospect Ave
1:00 PM

ITEM I CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Jacobs called the July meeting of the Commission for Persons with Disabilities to order at 1:05pm.

ITEM II ROLL CALL

Commissioners present for the meeting of the Milwaukee County Commission for Persons with Disabilities were:

Luis Arroyo
Deb Falk-Palec – Arrived late
Tom Jacobs
Marcia Perkins
Kathryn Zalewski

Absent or Excused:

John Haupt
Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr.
Denise Koss
Barbara Leigh
Cheri Mc Grath
Susan Pickering
Meg Steimle
Andrzej Walz-Chojnacki

Staff:

Mike Bonk
Tim Ochnikowski

Guests:

Joe Czarnezki, County Clerk
Don Natzke, MTS

ITEM III APPROVAL OF MINUTES (June)

Next agenda due to lack of a quorum.

ITEM IV SPECIAL REPORT

ITEM V TRANSIT PLUS REPORT

Mr. Natzke indicated that the number of New Freedom rides is up, 40,700 year to date. The rides given with GO Pass through June is 238,474. There are 12,000 people registered for the GO Pass. Persons with disabilities have taken 425,000 rides with the GO Pass. Transit Plus is not impacted by the current job action. The RFP for the van contract is currently under review. Discussion took place regarding GO Pass sustainability, and M-Card reimbursement.

ITEM VI COMMITTEE UPDATES

ITEM VII REVIEW OFFICE REPORT (June)

Following no questions or additions to the office report, Mr. Ochnikowski indicated that the Capital Budget Review team toured the Underwood facility to review the 2016 request. The team didn't feel the need to tour Grant to review that request due to having seen it before. There was a good feeling that the review team took favorably towards the projects.

ITEM VIII COMMISSION DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Bonk indicated that sailing is going well. Summer camp is going well. The summer programming has started. Center based programs continue to be down and community based programming is up. The planned activities for the Brewers game were reviewed. The County Executive is scheduled to appear at the Adaptive Sports Expo on July 25. Discussion took place regarding the Brewers game, and the sailing cancellation policy.

Chair Falk-Palec officially welcomed Ms. Perkins to the commission. Commissioner Perkins spoke to the experience at the County Board Committee meeting and presented a poem to the commission. Commissioner Koss has submitted her resignation, effective immediately, due to health reasons.

ITEM IX OTHER MATTERS BY COMMISSIONERS**ITEM X OTHER MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC****ITEM XI ADJOURN**

Chair Falk-Palec adjourned the meeting at 1:48pm. The next meeting of the Commission will be Monday, September 14, 2015 at 1:00pm at St. John's Properties (1800 N. Prospect Ave, Milwaukee).

Submitted by: Mike Bonk and Tim Ochnikowski, Staff to the Commission