

AGENDA

Summit County Transit Board Meeting

County Community Center, Loveland Room, 0151 Peak One Blvd, Frisco 80443

8:15 am

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes December meeting

Motion__ 2nd__ Approved__ Rejected__

Agenda Changes

Motion__ 2nd__ Approved__ Rejected__

Recognition of Guests

Public Comment

Old Business

1. Smart Bus update
2. Transit marketing
3. Frisco Transit Center Design/Engineering update
4. Subcommittee to evaluate long term
Stage funding needs

New Business

1. December Financial Report
2. Operations Report
3. Maintenance Report

Adjournment

Motion__ 2nd__ Approved__ Rejected__

SUMMIT COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD MEETING

Record of Proceedings

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Kent Willis, Chair – Town of Frisco; Steve Swanson- Lower Blue (At Large Member); James Phelps – Town of Breckenridge; Patrick O’Sullivan – Arapahoe Basin Ski Resort; Thad Noll – Summit County (Alternate); Mark Nickel – Town of Dillon; Larry Nelson – Upper

Blue (At Large Member); Bob Moore – Breckenridge Ski Resort; Bill Linfield – Town of Silverthorne; Kyle Hendricks – Keystone Ski Resort; Cindi Gillespie – Copper Mountain Ski Resort; Erin Gigliello-Upper Blue (At Large Member).

Members absent: Dan Gibbs – Summit County Commissioner; Jim Braun – Snake River Basin (At Large Alternate).

Summit Stage Staff present: Jim Andrew – Director; Geoff Guthrie – Operations Manager; Bruce Camping – Planner; Vivian Pershing – Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Summit County Transit Board members on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 was called to order by Chair Kent Willis at 8:20 a.m. in the Hoosier Room of the Summit County Community Center, 0151 Peak One Boulevard, Frisco, Colorado.

MEETING MINUTES & AGENDA

The minutes from the Wednesday, October 26, 2016 Summit County Transit Board Meeting and the December meeting agenda were reviewed. Cindi moved to approve, Bill seconded.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public guests were present or comment received.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Smart Bus project update** – Jim reported some progress with the Double Map automatic passenger counting system has been seen, but there are still problems with reports on the software side. Kent asked when the on-board next stop annunciation will be available. Jim replied until the first phase is fully functional, the second phase has been put on hold.
- B. **Transit marketing** – Jim reported there has been a change of focus on radio ads by using the radio to recruit drivers, adding that about six more were needed. Thad asked what would be done then. Geoff said two or three could be trained each month. Erin added some may leave. Jim added that there may be some slips and falls or injuries, but said maybe some service could be added back by the end of the season. Patrick, Bill and Kyle encouraged giving foot chains or stabilizers to employees.
- C. **Bus refurbishment project** – Jim said the fifth refurbished bus is back from Midwest Bus Corporation in time for winter service and the project is completed. Steve asked how

successful. Jim replied that although the quality of the work was for the most part good and the vehicles had been inspected, how the vehicles hold up over time, only time will tell.

- D. **Frisco Transit Center Master Plan** – Jim reported company interviews were held for the two engineering design proposals submitted. RNL Design will be recommended to the BOCC for the project. In summer of 2018 construction will begin of the first of five phases for a three to four-year 8 million dollar project. Bob noted that the building behind the Transit Center had been completed. Jim said a new building design will fit in with Base Camp.
- E. **Subcommittee to evaluate transit sales tax** – Kent handed out a draft from the subcommittee on future financial needs. It reviews the funding background, capital needs, service expansion, one-time capital improvements and meeting the need with possibly charging a fare, creating a Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) or increasing the Local Mass Transit Sales Tax with alternative proposals. Patrick asked where in the process the polling occurs. Thad responded it is a county department that handles it generally in May. He added the BOCC is sensitive to increases in sales tax where it might jump over 9%. Kent added it is still a draft. Bruce asked if there were any components in sales tax that were close to sunset. Kent said no. Thad said to consider a bond measure. Erin asked if it is timely to discuss an RTA. Steve said that process would take 3-5 years and is long and involved. Kent encouraged it to be added to the February agenda. Bill asked when it should be presented to town councils. Thad suggested mentioning it to the BOCC as an update at a work session. Kent didn't want to miss an election cycle. Patrick asked what would be more successful. James said he was in agreement with the process but added the topic will generate a lot of discussion. Mark asked about fares with other mountain transit agencies. Jim and Geoff replied some charge and some don't. Geoff added there is a significant upfront cost. Cindi added the messaging between transit systems would be confusing. Thad the service expansion and costs may not want to be included or promised. Erin agreed. Kent suggested talking about it but not prioritize the service goals. Steve said we have a lot of catching up to do to get back to where we've been. Bill suggested considering if we don't get the tax measure. Patrick said then the system is in decline. Cindi added the reality is that federal funding is not as it was. James said there are more players in the game now.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Razor Drive bus stop alternatives** –Bruce reviewed the safety concerns, ridership, options and staff recommendations of eliminating the west-bound Razor Drive bus stop. Erin asked about the crosswalk. Patrick, Thad and Bill discussed pedestrian crossings on a four-lane highway. Kent asked if Keystone shuttles stopped at both stops. Kyle replied they do. Mark and Bob were in favor of eliminating the west-bound stop. Bob asked if the state would consider a tunnel or overhead crosswalk. Thad replied those options have been discussed for many years and the topography is limiting those options. Bill said another option is to do nothing and added that nothing the Stage does will solve the pedestrians crossing the highway. Erin agreed. Thad suggested public outreach to start to eliminate both stops. Kent said there was no truly good solution. Cindi suggested the merchants and the state needs to step up and do something and the Stage shouldn't be the leading agency. Bill, Thad and Kyle said progressive steps such as narrowing lanes, signals, beacons and lighting have been done. Kent suggested keeping the stop the same; Steve, Patrick, Bill, Erin, Cindi and others agreed.

Due to the meeting going over, New Business items were postponed to next month. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20am.