

Saline County Area Transit
Board Meeting
Thursday, July 23, 2015
Hosted by Western

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Schafer at 1:50 p.m. The Open Meeting Law is posted.

Roll call was taken by Scott Bartels. Members present: Crete – none; Wilber – none; DeWitt – none; Dorchester – Maxine Filipi – Velma Hansen; Friend – Phyllis Svehla; Swanton – MariAnn Pesek – Richard Jiskra; Western – Judy Homolka – Joyce Paul (visitor at present); Tobias – Linda Schafer – Jackie Niederklein; Co. Commissioner – Stephanie Krivohlavek; Director Scott Bartels.

Scott Bartels read the minutes of the last meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

Scott Bartels gave the financial report. Richard Jiskra made a motion to approve report, it was seconded by Maxine Filipi.

Old Business:

Building report was given, the hood above the stove is not working properly, may have a problem getting installers to come back to fix it. The drainage hopefully has been corrected. Glass in the overhead door broke due to door sticking.

Letters were sent out for money allocated from towns. Bartels presented to County Commissioners and Crete City Council.

Passenger policy has previously been given to the board for review. Title VI policy hasn't been approved. Arron Mack called, we will discuss it at the October meeting.

Public hearing was held on June 18th to purchase new vehicles.

New fund raising efforts haven't been done, will wait now until next year.

New Business:

Sidewalk should be run on the south side of the building to the street. Possibly to put shrubs or rock between the building and walk. Building committee will check on this.

Discussed adding a \$1.00 charge for any additional boarding on one way trips. Richard Jiskra made a motion to hold a public hearing to charge \$1.00 for any additional boarding per one way trips, seconded by Stephanie Krivohlavek. Motion carried.

Held discussion on fuel tax. Learned that the county pays tax for pickups and vehicles. So far, Saline County Area Transit isn't eligible for fuel tax refund. NATP is looking into the current taxation to see if this issue may be addressed in next year's legislation.

Trip to Nebraska state fair will be on September 2nd. Tony Orlando will be there. Charge is \$5.00 for fair or \$11.00 for fair and concert. This doesn't include Saline County Area Transit fare. Nebraska Association of Transportation Providers (NATP) have a booth at the fair.

Reports:

Last meeting had a report on Public Transit Week and Stuff the Bus Events that took place in April.

Scott attended CTAA Expo on May 31 - June 6. The man that won the minivan division had competed at nationals eight times.

Building dedication was June 18th, it had a good turnout.

Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) had a third party perform a drug and alcohol abuse testing review on July 15th. We need to make some procedural changes. Our record keeping was satisfactory. Overall, received some good tips and advice.

County Fair booth was held jointly with Saline County Aging Services.

Saline County Area Transit pie and ice cream at the Western picnic free will offering brought in \$966.00.

We need new members from DeWitt and Friend. We will see if Joyce Paul accepts the Western position.

Meeting was adjourned.

Jackie Niederklein – Secretary