



Effingham County Board  
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October 9, 2024 1:30 P.M.  
**Transportation Committee Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

Committee Members Present: Norbert Soltwedel, Jeremy Deters, Mike Buzzard

Committee Member Absent:

Other Board Members Present:

Others Present: Pete Niccum (CSS), Beth Beck-Marts (CEFS), Kevin Bushur (CEFS), John Althoff (CEFS), Kelly Lockhart

**Minutes**

- Minutes from September 11, 2024 were approved. J. Deters motioned/M. Buzzard seconded. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

**Unfinished Business**

- Effingham County Public Transportation (ECPT)
  - B. Beck-Marts shared September service report of 2816 total passenger trips, 14 new riders, 47 unmet rides, and 355 non-ambulatory rides.
  - B. Beck-Marts shared September demand response trip purpose report of 415 medical, 1893 employment, 45 nutrition, 55 business, 47 shopping, 50 social/recreational, 297 other, and 14 educational purposes.
  - B. Beck-Marts reported pulling Watson route due to inability to support route. CSS and CEFS amended contract. N. Soltwedel inquired if CSS able to support. P. Niccum confirmed.
  - Received some donations for townships.
- E-Trax Update –
  - No report on E-Trax units for September.
  - B. Beck-Marts reported open Program Manager position of which she is actively interviewing.
- Rebuild Round 3 Grant (Maintenance Facility) – B. Beck-Marts stated IDOT granted permission for purchase of property. K. Bushur confirmed parcel will need replotted. N. Soltwedel inquired on next step. K. Bushur replied request for proposal for architect to build building which will need IDOT approval.
- Update on IDOT Monthly Monitoring Outcome Report Requirements – K. Lockhart reported reviewing policies from other counties and CEFS for ideas of policy development to meet requirements requested, however is taking time due to size and scope. B. Beck-Marts added has been time consuming.

**New Business**

### **General Information/Public Comments**

- CSS Vehicle Update – P. Niccum provided mileage update with no breakdowns or issues for the month.
- PCOM Update
  - Update on Excess Vehicle – K. Lockhart reported attempts with J. Waxman to provide information required. K. Lockhart confirmed reaching J. Waxman with instruction corrections are needed to letter. J. Waxman to send email on Thursday with further instructions.
  - Advantages/Disadvantages of Additional Counties – K. Lockhart reported PCOM will need to be full time position. Discussion on PTA, resources, administration, flexibility, system procedures, county contributions.

### **Closed Session**

### **Adjournment**

- J. Deters motioned and M. Buzzard seconded. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Angie Thompson, County Board Administrator