



Effingham County Board  
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August 14, 2024 1:30 P.M.  
**Transportation Committee Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

Committee Members Present: Norbert Soltwedel, Jeremy Deters

Committee Member Absent: Mike Buzzard

Other Board Members Present:

Others Present: Andy Kissler (CSS), John Althoff (CEFS), Kevin Bushur (CEFS) Kelly Lockhart

### **Minutes**

- Minutes from July 10, 2024 were approved. J. Deters motioned/N. Soltwedel seconded. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

### **Unfinished Business**

- Effingham County Public Transportation (ECPT)
  - E-Trax Update –
    - Rotary Club Bus Stop Shelter – J. Althoff reported bus stop is now installed with city having completed concrete work, erecting pillars, and running electrical to corner post. J. Althoff stated city also installed back support for bench to help reinforce stability of structure. J. Althoff confirmed Rotary sign will be installed on shelter. J. Althoff stated B. Beck-Marts is currently pricing signage and advertising for shelter.
    - J. Althoff shared July service report of 2,788 total passenger trips, 9 new riders, 39 unmet rides, and 362 non-ambulatory rides.
    - J. Althoff shared July demand response trip purpose report of 372 medical, 1,892 employment, 36 nutrition, 58 business, 66 shopping, 76 social/recreational, 276 other, and 12 educational purposes.
    - J. Althoff shared total E-Trax units of 276 for July.
    - J. Althoff reported continued search for drivers.
  - Rebuild Round 3 Grant (Maintenance Facility) – K. Bushur shared draft purchase agreement sent to IDOT with IDOT stating would take approximately two weeks to receive concurrence for land purchase. K. Bushur stated IDOT has confirmed receipt of purchase agreement.

### **New Business**

- Title VI Plan – Updated – K. Lockhart shared Title VI Plan has been updated and will need board approval. J. Deters motioned to move updated Title VI Plan to full board for approval. N. Soltwedel seconded. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

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

- CSS Vehicle Update – A. Kissler shared bus mileage update stating one bus still in shop for A/C issues. A. Kissler stated once bus is received back, will need to send another bus for same repairs. A. Kissler

confirmed repairs are under warranty. A. Kissler stated new bus which was purchased by CSS and anticipated to be received in September/October is actually now being delivered tomorrow.

- PCOM Update
  - Update on Excess Vehicle – K. Lockhart reported working with Linda at Council of Aging and completed new form and still waiting for update.
  - Compliance Review Update – K. Lockhart shared IDOT compliance review is about half resolved at this time. J. Althoff shared Beth Beck-Marts has sent off letter to IDOT to request more clarification on MOU between Effingham and Shelby counties.

### **Closed Session**

### **Adjournment**

- J. Deters motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Angie Thompson, County Board Administrator