



CITY OF BENSON - TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APRIL 9, 2015 – 10:00 A.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS -120 W. 6TH STREET, BENSON, ARIZONA

APPROVED 07/16/15

CALL TO ORDER - Meeting called to order at 10:00 am

ROLL CALL

Attendees

Laurie Botts – City of Benson
Dustin DeSpain – City of Benson
Connie Gastelum – SEAGO
Humberto Rivera – City of Douglas
Joyce Stevens – Senior

Members not Present

Helen Alto – Senior
Corinna Carbajal – City of Bisbee
Lupe Diaz – Chamber of Commerce
Cindy Fulbright – VICap
Ryan Kooi – City of Sierra Vista

Guests

Chris Vertras – SEAGO
Troy Lopes Sr – CCS City of Bisbee
Jessica Urrea – City of Douglas

CALL TO PUBLIC

No call to the public

NEW BUSINESS

1. Introductions

Dustin DeSpain – Finance Director
Laurie Botts – Accounting Specialist
Finance Department is going to be taking over the Transit duties due to Cheri's Departure.

2. Discussion and possible action

1a. Minutes of the November 25, 2014 TAC meeting – Minutes approved as written

1b. Review of Operations

City of Benson is closed Friday's until June 26, 2015. The buses are however running on Friday. The fixed route buses are no longer going to Willow Lakes, Dial-A-Ride will go out on a needed basis. Ridership has been steady with an Average of 1,290 riders a month over the past five months with and increase in ridership in December. Our Dial-A-Ride bus is currently being worked on in Phoenix we have hope to have back soon. We are using our back up bus during this time. The past couple of months there has been no expense for the administrative duties while determining who was going to be taken over these functions. Starting next month 25% of Laurie's time will be going towards this.

3. FY 15-16 Grant Overview – Discussion and Possible Action

Review and discussion of upcoming grant budget due to ADOT on April 17th.

Make sure to include all In-Kind. Include time for TAC Committee Meetings and training. Make sure to put in time spent on Human Resources, Finance, Dispatching, and Manager. Submit application 2 days before due to allow for time if application returned. Be specific regarding coordination meetings.

4. Title VI Program Draft – Discussion and Possible Action

Benson Area Transit's grant was found to be non-compliant with Title VI of the Civil Right Act of 1964 requirements. Compliance with the Title VI is a condition of receipt of federal financial assistance from ADOT.

Have until September to have this document finalized and approved by Council.

For grant application submit what was turned in last year and put in comments that new plan will be finalized and submitted by the September deadline.

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 am