

## **MINUTES**

Chippewa-St. Croix Passenger Rail Commission  
Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.  
Dunn County Administration Building  
3001 US Highway 12 E., Lower-Level Room 054 • Menomonie, WI 54751

### **Hybrid Meeting**

Present (Members): Robbie Krejci, Jim Dunning, Gary Stene, Scott Rogers, Gretchen Yonko, Jeremy Gragert, Taylor Greenwell, Tiffany Weiss

Present (ex-officios): Jake Wrasse, Bambi Pattermann, Eric Anderson, Lisa Stern, Adam Wehling

Others: Sue McDonald – Substitute Committee Clerk, Rich Kedzior, Kevin Roggenbuck, Sara Allen, Jeff Abboud, Mason Baxter, Sharon McIlquaham, Terry Brown, Jackie Pavelski

### **Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice at 8:30 a.m.**

Chair Dunning called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

### **Roll Call**

The roll was called and is listed above under present.

### **Public Comment**

No members of the public wished to make comment.

### **Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 15, 2023**

A motion was made to approve and seconded. No deletions, additions or corrections. All in favor, minutes approved via voice vote.

### **Market Sounding Update**

Mason Baxter from AI Pro summarized the report found in the meeting packet.

### **FRA Corridor Application Submittal Update**

Scott Rogers gave a report. Application has been submitted. Scott described the unique qualities of our application, namely ideas that are presented to show collaboration potential between the entities involved. Direct access models, zero emissions, frequency, letters of support and station site development were touched on.

### **WisDOT Update**

Lisa Stern gave a report. Rich Kedzior was introduced as new passenger rail program manager.

Other FRA Applications- 4 applications submitted. Spending plan would be developed based on application approval. Routes are prioritized.

TCMC Second train update – negotiations will start moving forward when Minnesota budget

finalized, naming/crossings/land acquisition.

### **Ramsey County Update**

Kevin Roggenbuck gave a report on the Track 3 extension at Union Depot.

### **Establish Transportation Oriented Development (TOD) Committee**

Scott Rogers discussed setting up a committee to assist with station site selection and transportation-oriented development while awaiting grant response. Discussion on who would be appropriate for this TOD committee considering getting representatives from different areas along the route. The committee would then create a working group to address all related issues. A motion was made by Scott Rogers and seconded by Gretchen Yonko to have the chair appoint members to this committee. Motion was approved via voice vote.

### **Future Agenda Items**

Nothing was brought up for future discussion.

### **Future Meeting Date**

Next meeting will be Thursday, August 16, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Sue McDonald, Eau Claire County Clerk

Administrator ATTEST:

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Jeremy Gragert, Commission Secretary