

PECATONICA RAIL TRANSIT COMMISSION

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MEMBER COUNTIES: GREEN • IOWA • LAFAYETTE • ROCK

PRTC/WRRTC WORKING COMMITTEE MEETING October 28th, 2016

Green Co. Courthouse 2nd Floor Courtroom, 1016 16th Ave • Monroe, WI

1. **Call to Order** – *Harvey W. Kubly, Chair*
The meeting was called to order by Chair Kubly at 2:53 PM

2. **Establishment of Committee Members Present** – *Mary Penn, Administrator*

<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Harvey W. Kubly</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>x</i>
<i>Ron Wolter</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>x</i>
<i>Philip Mrozinski</i>	<i>Iowa</i>	<i>excused</i>
<i>Charles Anderson</i>	<i>Iowa</i>	<i>x</i>
<i>Alan Sweeney</i>	<i>Rock</i>	<i>x</i>
<i>Wayne Gustina</i>	<i>Rock</i>	<i>x</i>

Also attending: Mary Penn, Administrator, Kim Tollers, WisDOT

3. Action Item. **Certification of Meeting's Public Notice** – *Noticed by Penn*
- *Motion to approve certification of notice – Sweeney/Anderson, Passed Unanimously*
4. Action Item. **Approval of Agenda** – *Prepared by Penn*
- *Motion to approve the agenda – Gustina/Anderson, Passed Unanimously*
5. Action Item. **Approval of draft Minutes from July 2016 meeting** – *Prepared by Penn*
- *Motion to approve draft July 2016 minutes – Anderson/Sweeney, Passed Unanimously*

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

6. **Discussion of Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission's Letter of Invitation to Green County to join the WRRTC**
Mary Penn related the series of events between the PRTC and the WRRTC on the Assessment sharing agreement saying that to date there was no memo of understanding (MOU) yet. Harvey Kubly said Green County had received the letter of invitation to Green County to join the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission (WRRTC). Kubly asked if a motion requesting corporation counsel to draft the MOU would be necessary. He said it was a foregone conclusion that it would be the first question asked by the Green County Board. He said he wanted "the ducks in a row" when he placed the request before them. Penn explained that the WRRTC had not had time to address the MOU as the Commission had been redirected to dealing with issues in Sauk County and a railroad bridge for the past three months. Kubly said "this is where it is" and until the MOU was drafted that was where the County was. Alan Sweeney asked if it could be done, would Kubly entertain addressing the acceptance of an MOU and the letter of invitation together. Penn said she would ask Brownlee for an update on Monday. Sweeney said the WRRTC could talk about it as well. Kubly said this was where they were at and would wait for Brownlee to draft the document.

Sweeney asked Penn to correct the draft 2016 PRTC meeting dates.

Sweeney said that the outcome of the Lafayette County discussion was acceptable and hoped that they could come to some point of negotiation. Kubly said he believed they had gotten their attention. Sweeney said he did not want Lafayette County to leave the

Commission and Kubly agreed. He said he was a little stunned on how they wanted to put the responsibility of the trail onto the TCTC because it was the County's responsibility. Charles Anderson pointed out that the TCTC received the collateral benefits.

Kim Tollers told the Committee that they might want to think about who would be responsible for the trail bridges. Tollers and Penn discussed the trail and the implications of having old bridges and who was responsible for maintenance. There was discussion about the trail and the agreement and how those impacted the trail. Tollers said since it was not a State trail, the WDNR did not have any authority on it. Anderson talked about the policing of the trail. Penn said the TCTC was responsible for policing the trail, according to the Interim Trail Agreement.

7. Action Item - Adjournment

- *Motion to adjourn at 3:10 PM – Sweeney/Gustina, Passed Unanimously*

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