

East Central Regional Transportation Coordinating Council Agenda

July 13th, 2023 - Meeting 1 of 6 - 2023/2024 Fiscal Year

ECRTCC Advisory Board Meeting 2023/2024

9:am – 10:30am

9:00 **Call to order:**

9:05 **Introductions:**

9:15 **Announcements:**

- ✚ July starts our 2023/2024 fiscal year!
- ✚ All meetings now posted on EastCentralTransit.com website.
- ✚ Volunteer Driver Forum Series Lunch and Learns – one-hour sessions from noon to 1pm.
 - Upcoming Topic:
July 27th – Transit focused MaaS – Elliot McFadden
All hosted by MCOTA.
Website for past Forums/Lunch and Learns & MCOTA information:
<https://coordinatemnttransit.org/>
- ✚ NLX based Meetings with:
 - Hinckley City Clerk/Administrator Leaha Jackson & Hinckley City Planning/Zoning Administrator Mark Perry
 - Cambridge City Administrator Evan Vogel
- ✚ Next Stop:
Discussion with Greg Mathis at MnDOT
- ✚ Kanabec County Fair Transportation Building – Thursday, July 27th – Sunday, July 30th

9:25 **Service Provider Updates:**

(please include information about current volunteer driver program services)

Helen Pieper – Timber Trails

Rhonda Torgerson – Tri-CAP Public Transit

Brandon Nurmi – Arrowhead Transit

Bonnie Buchanan – Jefferson Lines

Kelly Andersen – Attaboys Taxi Service

Jill Brown – Northern Lights Express Passenger Rail Alliance

Melissa Marengo – MTM

Others in attendance?

Updates/Questions from other Advisory Board Members – questions, concerns, comments.

Tidbit: *High Speed Rail Alliance -*

<https://www.hsrail.org/> & <https://www.hsrail.org/inter-regional/>

<https://www.hsrail.org/events/michigans-passenger-rail-progress/>

9:45 **MnDOT – RTCCs and MCOTA updates:**

Tom Gottfried

Michelle Lichtig

Tori Hunkus/Tina Neary

10:00 **ECRTCC Updates:**

1. **Promotion/Outreach** –

- Radio Broadcast with Lori Schultz of Tri-CAP aired in May, Michelle Lichtig aired in June and Jill Brown’s interview will air in July.
All podcasts on: EastCentralTransit.com,
East Central Transportation Facebook page
and KBEK.com.
- Upcoming radio interviews:
Need an interviewee for August! Record on August 4th. Bonnie? Kelly? Angela?
- Kanabec County Fair
- St. Louis County
- Operation Community Connect – already starting to get signed up for each county.

2. **Shared Vehicles** -

3. **Stakeholder and Community Engagement**

- **DOTS (Destination or Transfer Station)** –
- Continuing with survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TSHS9NK>

4. **Volunteer Drivers** -

5. **Staff Training and Education** –

6. **Mobility Management Integrative Efforts** –

7. **MCOTA Participation** -

10:15 **Group Discussion:**

10:30 **Adjourn:**

For all those who know about 2023/2024 ECRTCC plans – those who wish can stay to learn more.
(About 10-15 minutes of information.)

Upcoming 2023 ECRTCC Advisory Board Meeting: 9am to 10:30am - September 14th

Virtual via Zoom.

2023 – 2024 Upcoming ECRTCC Advisory Board Meetings:

November 9, 2023

January 11, 2024

March 14, 2024

May 9, 2024