

## AGENDA

**MASS TRANSIT COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023  
MONONA CITY HALL  
5211 SCHLUTER ROAD  
6:00 P.M.**

### **NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC MEETING OPTION**

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1. Call To Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes from June 14, 2023
4. Appearances
5. Unfinished Business
  - A. Discussion of Madison Metro Route and Stops
6. New Business
  - A. Establish a Criteria for Selection A Transit Provider
  - B. Discuss potential committee contributions or suggestions to the city's ongoing and expanding DEI initiatives
7. Adjournment

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MASS TRANSIT COMMISSION MINUTES  
June 14, 2023

The regular meeting of the Mass Transit Commission for the City of Monona was called to order by Chairman Grupe at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Bernstein, Laura Jasper, Addi Faerber and Doug Pahl

Absent: Chairman Moore and Jillian Slaight

Also Present: Finance Director Marc Houtakker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Ms. Faerber seconded by Ms. Jasper to approve the May 10th, 2023 minutes, was carried.

APPEARANCES

Justin Stuehrenberg, (Madison Metro-General Manager) was asked to appear to take questions from the Commission. Ms. Faerber asked what is the travel time to the Capital area from Dean Ave and Monona Drive and from Monona Drive and Femrite Drive. Mr. Stuehrenberg estimated the times to be 25 minutes from Dean Avenue and Monona Drive and 35 minutes from Monona Drive and Femrite Drive. Mr. Pahl talked about the long travel times for riders with the one loop system, leaving riders on the bus for up to an hour. Mr. Stuehrenberg talked about a two-way route system. Mr. Stuehrenberg talked about the differences between the proposed one loop routes compared to a two-way route. This would increase the route time thru Monona from 30 minutes to an estimated 45 minutes. This would solve the long ride times. The change would result in a 50% increase in cost. Madison Metro does prefer a two-way route compared to the one loop.

Co-Chairman Bernstein asked about tracking ridership, electric buses and Madison Metro timeline. Mr. Stuehrenberg stated Metro Madison has ridership software to track ridership. Mr. Stuehrenberg stated they currently only have three electric bus and they are assigned randomly due to federal law. Mr. Stuehrenberg stated Madison Metro would need at least six months of lead time to implement City of Monona into their transit system.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINES

Ms. Faerber reviewed the heat map result from the Transit Survey with the Commission. Ms. Faerber explained about how the map was created and explained the results from the Map.

The Commission discussed the current proposed Madison Metro Route. The Commission talked about the challenges of the one loop route (currently proposed). The Commission also talked about how the two-way route would be more efficient and a better system. The Commission noted the two-way route would be increase in cost to the City and more buses in the city. Instead of the buses running every hour thru the

city, they would run every half-hour. Commission asked Finance Director to get a cost of the two-way route.

The Commission asked for the next meeting to establish criteria to select a provider to recommend to the City Council.

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Mr. Keck, seconded by Mr. Pahl to adjourn, was carried. (7:30p.m.)

Marc Houtakker  
Finance Director