

Mountain Line Transit Authority Citizen Advisory Committee  
Minutes – May 21st, 2025

The **May 21st, 2025** meeting of the Mountain Line Transit Authority Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) was held on May 21st, 2025, at 1:30 p.m..

The following members were in attendance: Samantha Hanks, Mercedes Rosenberger, Eric Rffle, Burton Sprouse, Alex Chomanski, Christy Lee, Julie Wujck

The following members were in attendance via zoom: none

Public:

Members not present with notice: Curtis

**General Business**

- Kelli called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.
- Minutes from March were reviewed. Burton motioned to approve the minutes. Eric seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2025 Meeting dates:
  - May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 16<sup>th</sup> 2025
  - September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025
  - November 19<sup>th</sup> 2025
- PUBLIC HEARING/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Grey Line Waynesburg Airport Stop Relocation
  - No Hearing; **No Public Participation**
- Driver of the Month awards for the previous months were awarded to the following:
  - March 2025 – Tom Jones
  - April 2025 – Ron McCourt
- Personnel changes:
  - March- Tim Suder – FT driver; Frank Tarant – FT Mechanic
  - Apri.- Kimberly Fragola – Assistant Manager, Daniel Bronson – Parts Clerk, Elizabeth De Salguero – FT Driver, Henry Macharia – FT Driver, Justin Cordwell – FT driver
- Ridership details for the previous months are as follows:
  - March 2025–Calendar ridership increased by 2%. There was a 7% increase in the monthly comparison of all riders. Disabled ridership decreased by 14% compared to March 2024. Senior ridership decreased 25% from March 2024. WVU ridership increased 11% compared to March 2024
  - April 2025- Calendar ridership was relatively increased 2%. Monthly comparison of all riders increased 1%. Disabled ridership increased 27%. Senior ridership increased 6% since April 2024. WVU ridership percentage was relatively unchanged from April 2025.
- High School Free Ridership- rides were 758 for March and 597 in April
- WVU Ridership,– rides were 2799 in March and 34068 in April
- Grey Line trips were 1018 in March and 793 April
- Senior Ridership – 2133 in March and 3414 in April
- Property Tax Pass Ridership was reviewed. 1178 passes distributed to date; 8342 in March and 8784 in April 2025
- NewFIT : There were 122 in March and 139 in April
- Statewide Opioid Response: Using 2 drivers at least 3 days per week; 180 in March and 246 in April
- RideMon trips: 510 trips in March 2025 and 629 in April 2025.
- Crown Ridership: 168 in March and 123 in April
- Military Ridership: 58 in March and 46 in April 2025

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- **Construction Update/ Lower Level Breakroom Update –**
  - The Roofing Project - The A&E firm has completed the final inspection and provided a final estimate which included additional costs details of removal of each solar panel. Prior to proceeding with the full roof replacement on lower and partial on the upper level, the firm did recommend adding an additional layer of due to existing damage. Estimated cost has been revised to 1.6 million and the project will be opened for bids. The Firm anticipates the project will begin in fall, but could be delayed until spring.
- **Downtown Signage Plan** – Ongoing. Mountain Line needs to have another meeting with the City of Morgantown.
- **Grey Line- Waynesburg Stop Location**
  - It has been suggested to use the Walmart Parking lot as a relocation option for Grey Line. It is .6 miles away from the current stop location and will subsequently add a few minutes to the time. A formal review is scheduled for June, at which time a decision will be made.

- **Mon General Stop Location** – Our CEO, Maria Smith has been in contact with Mon General about the stop relocation. Some suggestions were offered such as the Emergency Room. However, with the current design, the limited space prevents buses from entering and exiting safely. The main canopy at Mon General has been suggested as an alternative which appears doable.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **MicroTransit Update** - Mountain Line conducted a review of the RideMon Service. The service location includes Grafton Rd and Mountain Heights bus lines. This Uber-like service promotes driver communication, fare technology, increased ridership and potential expansion into the western areas of the county. This service has seen positive growth in the last few months, reaching an average of 22 rides per day. Our on-time performance is at 98.7% and our Passenger per Vehicle Hours is .74. Our 2025 boardings are increasingly higher than the previous years. Our median wait times average 11.49 minutes.

**Meeting adjourned 2:15** Burton motioned to adjourn. It was seconded by Eric. No objections