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May 21, 2025
2:00PM

- Call meeting to order 2:00
- Roll call- Present was Lisa Moody, Wes Jones, Kathie Oatman, Beverly Bowers and Angela Lamborn. Absent were Darlene Needham, Angie Temple, Pete Runnels and Linda Kaesemeyer. Cheryl Land has passed away.
- Review and approve Minutes from January 2025- Beverly motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Lisa 2nd with all in favor.
- January 1-March 31, 2025 numbers reviewed and there were no questions about the data.
- Discuss reduction of service- Angie presented the information that ODOT would be unable to reimburse in a timely manner in the coming months. Harney Hub Transit will be required to get into the reserve funding, both operating and long term. Harney Hub Transit won't be able to pay itself back in the long term reserves if operation is at the current levels therefore the changes being made at the first of the new biennium are as follows:
  - Cutting weekend service
  - Reducing deviated fixed route hours down to 7-6 during the week
  - All drivers reducing hours from 40 hours a week to 32 hours a week.

  Angie, Lisa and Sue will watch the budget and make any further adjustments as time shows us what we can expect.
  The committee understands the necessity of the cuts and expressed appreciation for the thought put into the decision in attempting to do the least harm to the ridership. Kathie asked if she could have contact information for the senators and congressman in our district to express her thoughts. Angie committed to providing contact information.
  The committee asked if Harney Hub Transit could hold off on repairs to help with the budget. Lisa explained that the vehicles in service are costing a lot to keep them going but without them service would suffer. So the maintenance cost is necessary at this point for service to the community.

- Buses and Pending purchases- Angie stated that Harney Hub would not be ordering buses until the fall of 2026 which is the soonest the funding will be available. Lisa said all of the early steps were being completed so that when there was notice of funding availability we could go out for RFQ.
- Another committee member needed-Lisa let the committee know that member Cheryl Land had passed away unexpectedly. Her spot on the committee needs to be filled and she had identified James Leffler as a community member and occasional rider and reached out to him. He indicated he would fill the position. He stated that he works on Wednesdays and would not be able to make meetings if they remained on Wednesdays. Lisa motioned to place James Leffler on the committee and Kathie 2nd with all in favor. The committee then discussed options for meetings. They agreed that future meetings would be held the third Thursday of the months of January, April, July and October.
- Round table- The committee asked for an update on the status of the Executive Director position at Harney Hub and Angie let them know that it had been included in the county budget for the 2025-2026 year.
- 2:30 Beverly motioned to adjourn and Wes 2nd with all in favor

Respectfully submitted

Angela Lamborn