STIF
Oct. 15, 2026
3:00PM

- Call meeting to order 3:07
- Present were Wes Jones, Lisa Moody, Angela Temple and James Leffler, absent were Darlene Needham, Linda Kaesemeyer, Pete Runnels, Kathie Oatman and Sue Kovar.
- We started with the agenda, Review and approve the Minutes for April 16,2026. The Minutes were accepted as presented by James Leffler and Wes Jones 2nd with all in favor.
- STIF Plan 2027-29 was reviewed. LeAnne explained that it is almost the same as previous plan, expect for a small increase for operating expenses are projected for the 27-29 biennium. The plan continues operations of both deviated fixed route and demand response at the level it is currently provided.
- Angie Temple moved to recommend the presented STIF plan to County Court in its capacity as QE (Qualified Entity). Wes Jones 2nd and all were in favor.
- Lisa explained that Harney Hub Transit will receive two new mid-size (9 passenger) buses on October 29th. Those buses will be the replacements for two that are going out of service and will be sold on the government property auction site. Lisa explained to the committee that the match funding required for the vehicles replacements is already waiting for them and that no financial hardship will come with the new purchases between granted funding and match on hand.
- LeAnne explained that Harney Hub Transit intends to continue to provide Public Transit services to Harney County and proposed to continue the deviated fixed route to Bend weekly for the 2027-2029 Biennium. A STIF intercity grant request was written for funding to continue to provide the service at no cost to the rider. Harney Hub Transit does not propose adding any new projects at this time. The traditional funding available is currently

not guaranteed. Management does not wish to expand services that they might later have to discontinue. The Committee understood this position and agreed that at this time the focus should remain on current service levels.

- Harney Hub Transits newest bus to the fleet was inspected by the committee members and was well receive. New features have been added for additional safety of passengers. The lifts on the new vehicles are located on the curb side of the vehicle rather than the back which allows passengers to be loaded and unloaded on the sidewalk rather than in the street. The vehicles now have regular bus doors rather than heavy sliders that also require a high step from the street to the running boards. The new vehicles have regular steps and hand rails for additional safety.
- 3:40 meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Lisa Moody
Transit Manager