



MEETING NOTICE

There will be a **West Michigan Regional Rural Transportation Task Force (Region 14)** meeting held on:

DATE: Tuesday, October 21, 2025

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

**PLACE: WMSRDC Offices (3rd Floor)
Terrace Plaza Building
316 Morris Avenue, Suite 340
Muskegon, MI, 49440**

If you are unable to attend, please call Joel Fitzpatrick 231.722.7878 x160 or Lauryn Blake 231.722.7878 x230.

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West Michigan Regional Rural Transportation Task Force (Region 14)

AGENDA

October 21, 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT
- IV. REVIEW OF MINUTES – (April 22, 2024)
- V. FY2026 – 2029 PROJECT AMENDMENT **(ACTION ITEM)**
- VI. UPDATE FROM MDOT
- VII. RURAL TRANSPORTATION ROUNDTABLE
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
- IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- X. PUBLIC COMMENT
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

WEST MICHIGAN SHORELINE
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

ATTACHMENT I

To: Rural Transportation Task Force Members
From: Lauryn Blake, Planner, WMSRDC
RE: Review and approval of Task Force minutes

Commission staff is requesting review and approval of the attached minutes from the April 22, 2025 meeting.

REGIONAL RURAL TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE 14 MEETING

WMSRDC Conference Room 316 Morris Ave, Suite 340
Muskegon, MI 49440

MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2025

XII. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Timmer called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum was present.

XIII. ATTENDANCE

A. Members Present

Mark Timmer, Oceana County Road Commission (Chairperson)
Derek Wawsczyk, Newaygo County Road Commission (Vice Chairperson)
Kasey Jernberg, Newaygo County Village/City Representative
Brad Hinken, Newaygo County Agency on Aging
Jim Koens, Muskegon Area Transit System
Lisa Nagel, Oceana County Council on Aging
Steve Wessels, Mason County Road Commission
Harold Nickols, Village of Baldwin
Eric Nelson, Mason County Road Commission
Paul Keson, Ludington Mass Transit Authority
Leroy Williams, Lake County Road Commission
Tyler Kent, MDOT Grand Region
Paul Bouman, Muskegon County Road Commission
Howard Perry, Yates Township Dial a Ride

B. Members Absent

Jimmy Newkirk, City of Scottville
Jeff Hodges, Village of Pentwater
Geoff Nelson, Village of Ravenna

C. Others Present

Blake Wright, MDOT
Brian Stark, MDOT
Michael Valverde, MDOT OPT
Eric Nelson, Mason County Road Commission

D. Staff Present

Joel Fitzpatrick, WMSRDC
Lauryn Blake, WMSRDC
Jack Grice, WMSRDC

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public spoke.

XV. REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes were reviewed from the last meeting. It was mentioned that two LMTA jobs were incorrect. Staff have fixed those in JobNet. It was also noted that Vice Chair Wawsczyk ran the meeting and Timmer was absent. A motion was made and supported to approve the revised minutes. Motion carried. ***M/S Williams/Wawsczyk***

XVI. FY2023 – 2026 PROJECT AMENDMENTS

Lake County

- **Old project:** FY 2025 – Yates, Floor/Bus Barn (J# 214569) – STBG \$59,496, State \$14,874, Total \$74,370
- **New project:** FY 2025 – Yates, Washer/Generator (J# 214569) – STBG \$59,496, State \$14,874, Total \$74,370

A motion was made and supported to approve amendments to the FY2023-2026 project list. Motion approved. ***M/S Wawsczyk/Williams***

XVII. FY2026 – 2029 PROJECT CHANGES

Oceana County

FY 2025

- Job# 223879 – Madison – 144th Avenue to 168th Avenue – STBG \$776,957, Local \$194,240, TEDF-D \$218,000, Total \$1,189,197. Change in limit.

FY 2027

- Job# 223885 – Oceana Drive – Madison Road to Jefferson Road – STBG \$802,000, TEDF-D \$124,459, Total \$926,459. Change in limit.

A motion was made and supported to approve amendments to the FY2023-2026 project list. Motion approved. ***M/S Williams/Keson***

XVIII. ALL SEASON ROUTE UPDATE

Comments received from Mason and Muskegon Counties regarding corrections to the All-Season route maps were discussed. A motion was made and supported to approve the changes (attached at the end of these minutes). Motion approved. ***M/S Bouman/Williams***

XIX. UPDATE FROM MDOT

- No update.

XX. RURAL TRANSPORTATION ROUNDTABLE

- Mr. Brad Hinken mentioned the upcoming public transit study.
- Mr. Howard Perry expressed his thanks to the Lake County Road Commission for assistance.
- Mr. Joel Fitzpatrick informed the task force that road ratings will begin soon.
- Mr. Keson thanked the quick approval of the email amendment request earlier in the month.

XXI. NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Wawczyk mentioned that Newaygo County was looking at selling their FY 2026 Fed Aid. A motion was made and supported to approve the sale. Motion approved. *M/S Jurnberg/ Wessels*

XXII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was discussed.

XXIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public spoke.

XXIV. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.