

**SIoux CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 16, 2025**

On this date 12:00 p.m., at 509 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, Iowa, was held a regular meeting of the Sioux City Transit System Advisory Board for the purpose of discussing items of interest and concern to the Sioux City Transit System, the City of Sioux City, and the citizens thereof, matters to be brought to the attention of the Advisory Board by the Transit Manager; and such other business that might properly come before the Board at this time.

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>MEMBERS ABSENT</b>	<b>OTHERS</b>
Mike Tokarczyk		Jason Allen, Operations Manager
Dawn Kimmel (C)		Mike Collett, Interim City Manager
Angela Drent		Brenda Berens, SRTS (C)
Mary Martin (C)		Heather Hansen, Admin. Assistant

(C) Conference call via telephone

**ITEM NO. 1 CALL OF ROLL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Meeting was called to order by Mike Tokarczyk

Roll was called.

**ITEM NO. 2 APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES**

*Martin made a motion, Drent seconded the motion, to approve the minutes from the May meeting. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Drent, Kimmel, Martin. Nays: None. Motion carried.*

**ITEM NO. 3 OPERATING AND PARATRANSIT REPORTS**

Collett gave the following updates:

- Fixed route ridership slightly down, Paratransit ridership steadily increasing as expected due to changing SRTS territory.
- Mobile fare training anticipated for July 2025 may still meet target date or could be slightly later due to uploading delays.
- Annual Sioux City Community School District contract meeting scheduled for next week.
- MLK roofing project has been completed.
- HVAC project design process nearing completion.
- Total of five Paratransit buses pending delivery or on order.

**ITEM NO. 4 OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Grant Updates

Allen provided the following updates:

- ‘Low-No’ and bus/bus facility grants successfully submitted.
- Estimates provided were approx. \$12.6 million to rehab current facility; \$22 million for new facility. The rehab option was selected due to cost and preferred location.
- Carbon Reduction Program/Department of Energy grant(s) still pending with funds earmarked for electric charging stations.

#### **ITEM NO. 5 OTHER DISCUSSION**

- A. In response to an inquiry into how driver/staff training would occur for mobile fare pay, board members were advised it would be combined with annual driver training and/or done in between split shifts.
- B. Further discussion requested between City Transit and SRTS staff for Medicare/Medicaid modifications to Paratransit service.
- C. Notification to board members of potential upcoming donation to the Nights & Weekends program to subsidize Transit's cost for this after-hours service. This previously has had grant contributions.
- D. Saturday in the Park fares and ridership were double that of last year.

#### **ITEM NO. 6 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2025, which will be a meeting with Council.

*Martin made a motion, Kimmel seconded the motion, to adjourn. Roll Call Voting; Ayes: Tokarczyk, Martin, Drent, Kimmel. Nays: None. Motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Mary Martin, Secretary