

**The Ride Improvement Project (TRIP) of  
Columbia County Transportation Coordination Advisory Council  
MINUTES  
Tuesday, February 26, 2019**

The regular meeting of The Ride Improvement Project (TRIP) of Columbia County Transportation Council was called to order by County Board Supervisor Susanna Bradley at 2:03 p.m.

TRIP MEMBERS PRESENT: Susanna Bradley; Ben Hinkel; Sarah Lochner;  
Sarah Millard

TRIP MEMBERS EXCUSED: John Primrose

TRIP MEMBERS ABSENT: Rick Barreau

HHS STAFF PRESENT: Becky Mulhern; Sabrina Lopez

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 26, 2019 AGENDA OF THE TRIP COUNCIL.**

Motion by Sarah Millard, second by Sarah Lochner. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 23, 2018 MINUTES OF THE TRIP COUNCIL.**

Motion by Sarah Lochner, second by Sarah Millard. Motion carried.

**OUTREACH & CLASSES FOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

Sarah Millard stated that the ADRC will be hosting a Smart Driver classroom course. The AARP Driver Safety will be held on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at ADRC of Columbia County. The course is a driving skills refresher and will teach AARP members and non-members driving strategies to help you stay safe behind the wheel.

## **5310 & 85.21 GRANT DISCUSSION**

ADRC Director Mulhern stated that the 5310 grant is a highly competitive grant and plans to apply for the grant every other year. This year's goal is to purchase a bariatric, wheelchair accessible vehicle using funds from the 5310 grant.

The 85.21 grant is primarily used to support the Aging and Disability Resource Program. This grant was submitted early in November 2018 and was approved before the deadline. Policies for both 5310 and 85.21 grants will be updated this year. Sarah Millard announced the arrival of the ADRC vehicle that was purchased in 2017 by 5310 grant funds.

## **ADVOCACY UPDATES**

Director Mulhern will gather more information in May in regards to Wisconsin Transportation. Director Mulhern expressed the importance of providing transportation for people diagnosed with Alzheimer's and dementia. She attended the Alzheimer's Advocacy Day and learned that there are 1,194 Columbia County residents diagnosed with the disease. Director Mulhern stated that Sarah Millard will attend future transportation meetings as she currently sits as a member for the Wisconsin Association of Mobility Managers. (WAMM)

## **GREATER WISCONSIN AREA ON AGING RESOURCES (GWAAR) UPDATES**

Director Mulhern stated that after meeting with GWAAR and reviewing their advanced technologies it is in the best interest of the ADRC to collaborate with Columbia County's Management Information Systems (M.I.S) to develop a transportation program that is compatible with GWAAR's protocols.

## **FIVE YEAR COORDINATED PLAN**

Director Mulhern stated that there are ten goals that are in place for the Five Year Coordinated Plan. Director Mulhern described the following four goals to begin by the end of 2019:

- Initiate a volunteer driver program by recruiting others
- Provide outreach and education about availability of ADRC Transportation services to all Columbia County residents
- Assist those seeking transportation options for employment
- Continue the TRIP Council meetings quarterly

Director Mulhern's ultimate goal is to procure as many volunteers for the ADRC transportation, to obtain a new bariatric vehicle for the ADRC transportation and to continue working with Columbia County's transportation agencies.

**SET APRIL MEETING DATE**

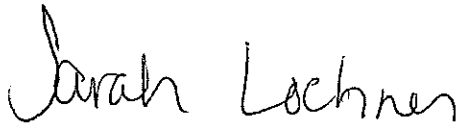
The Council members agreed to meet on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the DHHS building in conference room 174.

**ADJOURNMENT**

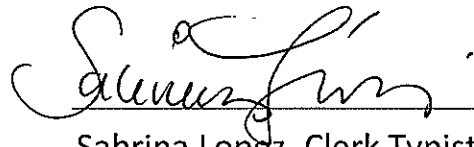
MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 2:50 P.M.

Motion by Sarah Millard, second by Ben Hinkel. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sarah Lochner, TRIP of Columbia County  
Secretary



Sabrina Lopez, Clerk Typist  
Columbia County HHS

cc: County Board Chair Vern Gove  
County Board 1<sup>st</sup> Chair Dan Drew  
County Board 2<sup>nd</sup> Chair James E. Foley