



440 N Ferry Street
Grand Haven, MI 49417

**HARBOR TRANSIT MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM
LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

June 3, 2026, at 1:15 P.M., Four Points Center for Successful Aging

1. Meeting called to order at 1:17 PM by Carrie Uthe, Chairperson.

2. Roll Call by the Board Chair

Carrie Uthe – Present

Lisa Greenwood – Present

Heather Phillips – Present

Sarah Wheeler – *Absent*

Rebecca Hopp – Present

Kim Sibilsky – Present

Brandon Bucek – Present

Bonnie Shears – Present

Steve TerMolen – Present

Harbor Transit Staff Present:

Scott Borg

Tom Burghardt

Shonda Walski

Brian Woline

3. Approve or Change Agenda - Hopp motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Sibilsky seconded. Motion passed.

4. Call to Audience - No comments.

5. General Business

a. Approval of the March 4, 2026 Meeting Minutes - Hopp motioned to approve the March 4, 2026 meeting minutes. Bucek seconded. Motion passed.

b. Welcome New LAC Council Member Steve TerMolen - The Council welcomed Steve TerMolen and introductions were made.

c. Discussion/Action Open Member Position - Council reviewed the application for the open City of Grand Haven position. Discussion occurred regarding qualifications, community involvement, and availability. Sibilsky motioned to recommend the applicant



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for appointment to the LAC Council. Hopp seconded. Motion passed.

6. Reports

a. Operations Report – Tom Burghardt

Burghardt reviewed April 2026 operational statistics. Total ridership was 13,802 rides with an average ride distance of 4.2 miles and average ride duration of 13 minutes. Average rider rating remained at 4.9. On-time performance was 95% drop-off and 99% pick-up. No NTD reportable events or road calls occurred during April. Discussion also included ridership trends by municipality and Trinity at the Lakes ridership.

b. Marketing Report – Annelise Walker

The Marketing Report highlighted the digital campaign with Via reaching over 113,000 accounts and generating more than 8,000 link clicks. Updates were provided regarding implementation of Harbor Transit's new logo, travel training classes, promotion of the Lakeshore Trolley season, and community outreach efforts. Harbor Transit currently has 12 bus wrap advertisers representing 15 bus wraps.

c. Finance Report – Brian Woline

The Finance Report reviewed year-to-date revenues and expenses. Total revenue was approximately \$1.99 million with expenses remaining within budget projections. Members reviewed current cash balances, construction-in-progress expenses related to the new operations center, and ongoing funding sources.

d. Transportation Director's Report – Scott Borg

An update was provided regarding Michigan Transit Legislative Day, Local Bus Operating funding concerns, and progress on the new Operations Center project. Site preparation, utility installation, and construction activities continue at the 172nd Avenue property. Discussion also occurred regarding transportation access and pickup locations in the Fillmore Street area.

7. Council Members' Comments

Lisa Greenwood - discussed the potential benefits of expanded service hours including transportation to grocery stores, libraries, movies, and community activities.

Carrie Uthe – No comments.

Rebecca Hopp – No comments.

Kim Sibilsky – No comments.

Brandon Bucek - Discussed his recent trip to Capitol Hill as part of the NTSS meetings, including transportation advocacy initiatives and opportunities to advance and promote public transportation services throughout the Lakeshore region.

Bonnie Shears – No comments.

Steve TerMolen – No comments

8. Meeting adjourned at 2:17 PM.