

LCTA Public Transit Ridership Forum Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the September 19, 2017 Ridership Committee Meeting held at 2 PM at the Pittston Chamber of Commerce, Kennedy Blvd., Pittston

Present: Lorri Vandermark (LCTA), Norm Gavlick (LCTA), Sid Halsor (LCTA Board of Directors), Joe Fedak, public, and Rosemary Lombardo, (public).

Review of meeting minutes from the 8/15/2017 Ridership Committee meeting.

Public Comment:

- A member of the public stated: That he had heard the Ridership Forum announced on the radio news and seen it in several other media listings.

An LCTA Representative stated: That we have been trying harder to gain additional coverage, and that we believe the name change has aided in the media promoting the forums.

- A member of the public stated: The Luzerne County Fair Route was well received. He did suggest; however, that next year, we try to provide the return trips to other areas, rather than just the Intermodal Center, because folks had a hard time getting home in the evening.

LCTA officials stated: The Fair Route was our first “mini-experiment” with providing night service. In addition; timing was short. Plans are to try to expand on that service, next year.

- A member of the public asked: How many bus shelters are located in areas where there is no current LCTA route?

LCTA Officials stated: We are currently in the process of doing inventory and evaluation on all shelters; however, our early indication is that most are located on active routes.

- A member of the public asked: for an update on the Dallas Park & Ride Project?

An official from LCTA stated: LCTA has done our part and are now waiting for project updates.

- LCTA Officials explained the proposed, new fare programs and the steps to implementation.
- A member of the public asked: What is the status of “consolidation” that they had read about in the newspaper?

LCTA officials explained: The purpose, composition and goals of the committee and promised updates.

The next LCTA Ridership Committee Meeting will take place on 10/17/2017 at 2PM at the LCCC Corporate Learning Center in Wilkes-Barre, PA.