

Carroll Country Regional Coordinating Council

February 2nd 2021, 1:00PM

Zoom:

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DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Mary Carey Seavey	Carroll County RSVP (RSVP)	Catalina Kirsch	Carroll County Coalition for Public Health (C3PH)
Christine Lee	Tri-County Transit (TCCAP)	Rachel Saliba	Interlakes Community Caregivers (ICC)
Marianne Jackson	Gibson Center for Senior Services	Dave Jeffers	Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC)
Crystal Sawyer	Carroll County Adult Education	Katie Lamb	North Country Council (NCC)

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Katie Lamb called the meeting to order at 1:05PM and a round of introductions/roll call was done.

2. Approval of 12/08/2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the December 8th 2020 minutes was made by Mary Carey Seavey and seconded by Crystal Sawyer.

3. Updates from Providers and Members

- **TCCAP** (Christine Lee): Service has slowed down and they are seeing a decrease in ridership. There was an up tick in trips at the end of summer/fall but it has fallen down again. There seems to be issues with Medicaid as those rides have also dropped. All buses have PPE on board.
- **RSVP** (Mary Carey Seavey): Not a significant change in ridership with 1,997 trip in total for 2020. Only provider doing both long and short trips, although the majority of trips have been long. A total of 29,000 miles were logged with 265 clients. They have seen an increase in trips from clients in Southern Carroll County.
- **Gibson Center** (Marianne Jackson): The number of riders (door to door) has decreased, likely due to uncertainty about service protections and the pausing of services in mid-2020. The Center is trying to get the word out about providing rides and the safety precautions being taken. Also looking to provide rides to vaccine appointments to make sure those with appointments are able to get their vaccine the first time and not have to reschedule.
- **Carroll County Adult Education** (Crystal Sawyer): Provided 11 rides in December, 16 rides in January. Seen an influx of enrollment throughout Carroll County, which is encouraging.

- **C3PH** (Catalina Kirsch): Working to make sure people can get to their vaccine appointments as well.
- **ICC** (Rachel Saliba): The services they provide are both volunteer driving and companionship, with most volunteers and clients aged 70 or older. They do provide rides to those who are 25 or older if needed. ICC has an operating budget of about \$100,000 and they provided 427 rides equating to 13,000 miles this past year. Their ridership has seen a 30-40% decrease due to the pandemic. Their services are free of charge.

5. Grant Statuses and Upcoming Funding Opportunities

5305e Funding:

There was no interest in applying for 5305e funds this round, so no application for that funding will be submitted.

5310 Funding:

- Katie Lamb went over the funding notification and noted that this funding is for a two-year contract this time. She outlined that Region 2 could apply for up to \$194,268 (\$97,134 annually) and that purchase of service and mobility management are both 80% reimbursable.
- Dave Jeffers introduced the items needing to be voted on, starting with appointing Mt. Washington Valley Economic Council (MWVEC) as the lead agency. Mary Carey Seavey made a motion to appoint MWVEC and Marianne Jackson seconded.
- Next, Dave Jeffers introduced applying for the full amount (\$194,268) and Mary Carey Seavey made a motion, with Crystal Sawyer seconding.
- Rachel Saliba asked about eligibility due to not having wheelchair accessible vehicles and Mary Carey Seavey noted that RSVP does not have wheelchair accessible vehicles either, so it is not a disqualifying factor. Rachel also asked about insurance and Mary replied that RSVP's drivers are all vetted, need their own insurance, and RSVP provides an umbrella insurance for all the drivers.
- Rachel Saliba expressed desire for Interlakes to be included in the upcoming 5310 funding round and requested \$10,000, if possible. **NOTATION: Interlakes decided after the meeting to withdraw themselves from consideration for this 5310 funding round and providers (RSVP, Gibson, and TCCAP) agree to the same funding allocations of the previous contract.**
- Katie Lamb noted that she will go back through prior 5310 funding contracts to see what allocations were made and what the actual spending ended up being. She will share this information with the group as soon as possible.

6. Other Businesses

- Rachel Saliba asked about providers' ability to understand isolation in communities and would like to get data on this if possible.
- Marianne Jackson suggested looking at the Tufts database to possibly find information. She also noted that folks like Laura Davies from the Office of Aging may be able to help. Marianne also suggested reaching out to the Town of Freedom as they have worked to provide a services coordinator and are a very active and engaged community.
- Mary Carey Seavey asked Rachel Saliba about supporting needs in Sandwich and Moultonborough as they have difficulty reaching clients in that area. Mary also asked what ICC charged and Rachel responded saying their services are free of charge but they do take donations.
- Katie Lamb noted that Interlakes is reviewing the CCRCC MOU and will be joining as a member at the next regular meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mary Carey Seavey and seconded by Catalina Kirsch.

Meeting adjourned at 2:47PM.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Lamb