

**SKAGIT TRANSIT
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, December 10, 2009
5:00 p.m.
Skagit Station Conference Room
Mount Vernon, WA

Valerie Rose called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

Committee Members

Oliver Berentson
Stoney Bird
Doris Brevoort
Don Downing
David Peveto
Dick Phillips
Valerie Rose
Herb Van Wyk

Skagit Transit

Mary Lozeau
Dennis Digges

Members of the Public

I. Public Comment:

None.

II. Approval of minutes:

Oliver Berentson moved to approve the minutes. Don Downing seconded the motion. The motion passed.

III. Information Items:

Notes from the field:

David Peveto stated the bus stop at Wal-Mart is in a good location and he has received good feedback from riders. David suggested a shelter to provide a break from wind and rain. Valerie stated she rode the 80X several times and noticed the passenger count has dropped off. Valerie noted the WTA fare increased from \$.75 to \$1.00.

General Update:

Dennis Digges reported in 2010 Skagit Transit will be purchasing one fixed route vehicle and one Dial-a-Ride vehicles with grant funds. Dennis noted we will also be replacing three Fixed Rote and six Dial-a-Ride vehicles. Dennis reported the South Mount Vernon Park & Ride project is waiting for the arrival of light poles, pre-assembled restrooms, and passenger shelters. Dennis stated route 615 will be advertised in LaConner and Swinomish Village newsletters to get the word out about the new service.

IV. Unfinished Business:

V. New Business:

Dennis Digges reported that Fixed Route ridership was up 8.8% in November 2009 compared to November 2008. Dennis reported that Dial-a-Ride ridership has a 13% increase November 2009 compared to November 2008.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Valerie Rose, Chair
Skagit Transit Citizens' Advisory Committee

Attest:

Mary Lozeau
Clerk of the Citizens' Advisory Committee