

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

Thursday, March 11, 2010
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
Doris Brevoort
John Cheney
Don Downing
K.B. Johnson
Valerie Rose

Skagit Transit

Mary Lozeau
Dennis Digges

Members of the Public

Frank Damp

I. Public Comment:

None.

II. Approval of minutes:

Oliver Berentson moved to approve the minutes. K.B Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

III. Information Items:

Notes from the field:

Doris Brevoort noted that she rode the 90X from Everett today and the bus was full as usual.

Valerie Rose stated La Conner has a newsletter and suggested Skagit Transit contact them to request an article describing the new La Conner Route. Valerie reported a passenger informed her that route 300 does not stop at the library or food bank in Sedro Woolley. Dennis stated the bus does go with in two blocks of the library and he will look into the location of the food bank.

Valerie noted that David Peveto has not discussed the bus shelter concern with the manager of Wal-Mart yet. There was a lengthy discussion about the location of the bus stop. Frank Damp stated he would bring a map of the Wal-Mart parking lot to the April meeting.

General Update:

Dennis Digges reported a ribbon cutting ceremony has been scheduled for South Mount Vernon Park & Ride on Friday, April 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Dennis shared ridership data comparing February 2009 and February 2010. Dennis stated fixed route ridership was up 14% and noted this is the highest fixed route ridership February since 2003. Dennis reported local ridership increased 11%. Dennis noted route 80X to Bellingham decreased 5% and 90X to Everett, ridership increased 25.7%. Dennis stated Dial-a-Ride ridership was up 800 riders.

IV. Unfinished Business:

None.

V. New Business:

None.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Valerie Rose, Chair
Skagit Transit Citizens' Advisory Committee

Attest:

Mary Lozeau
Clerk of the Citizens' Advisory Committee