

ONEIDA VILAS TRANSIT COMMISSION

January 29, 2026

MINUTES

Attendance: Present Marvin Anderson, Richard Logan, Billy Fried, Lenore Lopez, Michael Taugets, Holly Tomlanovich, Fred Radtke (via Zoom), Dawn Winqvist (Via Zoom) Oneida County ADRC Manager Mya Olkowski and Barb Newman Transit Manager.

Called to order by Chairman Anderson 9:00 A.M. at Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Room B at 330 Court St., Eagle River, WI. Noting that this meeting was properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and meets the American with Disability Act.

ESTABLISHED A QUORUM: 8 Of 8 Members present.

Pledge was recited.

Motion by Tomlanovich to approve the agenda in any order. Second by Fried. All Ayes.

Motion by Radtke to accept the minutes with correction. Second by Tomlanovich. All Ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Letters: Anderson read a letter to the board commending Oneida Vilas Transit Commission staff for work done during the cold spell. Anderson will sign it on behalf of the commission. Each staff member will receive a copy.

Discussion and Possible action on: Update to the Request for Quote for surveying services on parcel PE-69. Newman sent out 13 Request for Quote to surveyors in Oneida and Vilas Counties. The deadline for quotes was January 22, 2026, none was received. Newman will confirm mailing address of surveyors previously contacted and based on the boards feedback widen her search out of Oneida and Vilas. Logan motion for Newman resend RFQ late in February to have the work completed by the end of May. Second by Tomlanovich. All Ayes.

Discussion and Possible action on: Quarterly Bus Graphics: Buses N-11 through N-16 (older buses) have Public Transit on the nose above the cab, on the sides of the bus public transit, phone number and logo. On the back they have public transit. N-17 public transit above the cab. On the side Northwoods Transit and phone number. On the back Northwoods Transit. N-19 and N-20 public transit above the cab. On the side there is, Northwoods Transit Connection, phone number and logo. On the back there is Northwoods Transit and phone number. N-22 – N-25, public transit on the front. On the side Northwoods Transit Connections, phone number and logo on the window. On the back Northwoods Transit and phone number. Minivan N21 and N26 have the logo on the driver's door. As the older buses are phasing out of the fleet branding will be same as N-19 through N-25.

Discussion and Possible action on: Quarterly Bus Report: Wisconsin Department of Transportation uses ten years as a measure of for use of vehicle. OVTC has a few in that range, but most aren't. Newman has

applied for a grant to cover two new vehicles. During the cold spell, one bus towed from Eagle River to the Administration/Maintenance building Rhinelander.

Discussion and Possible Action on: Quarterly Ridership Report. Ridership in November was down ridership in December was up. Over all 2025 is 8.3 % over 2024.

Discussion and Possible Action: Budget overview through December. OVTC year to date fare revenue \$64,760.00. 450.04 Federal Transit Administration, total reimbursement depends on total expenses. Not expecting to get the full \$363,000.00 but probably will receive \$300,000.00 of it. On the expense side. All expenses will be \$50,000.00 under budget. Newman is looking for third quarter reimbursement of \$86,000.00 sometime in the next two to three weeks.

Discussion and Possible action on: Transit Manager Salary. Newman provided the board with salary information of Transit Managers from other agencies for the board to consider. Fried made a motion to increase the Transit Managers salary by 5% retroactive to 01/01/2026. Second by Tomlanovich. All Ayes.

Discussion and Possible action on: Paid Vouchers. Voucher labeled 11/14/2025, nothing out of the ordinary. Motion by Tomlanovich to approve voucher 11/14/2025, second by Logan. All Ayes. Voucher labeled 12/12/2025, shows the repayment to the counties of Oneida and Vilas of \$5000.00 each, Kwik trip around \$5000.00 and Pomp's was paid \$ 2299.46 for tires. The new premium for Security Health Plan is \$2278.69. Radtke motion that voucher 12/12/2025 be approved. Second by Lopez. All Ayes. Voucher 1/14/2026 had a Entry that was already noted on voucher 12/12/2025, Tautges motion approve voucher 1/14/2026 as amended. Second by Logan. All Ayes.

Items for future agendas:

Letters or Communication. None.

Next Meeting. February 27, 2026. Vilas County Court House. 9:00 A.M.

Adjourn 10:06 A.M.

Respectfully submitted.

Brian Moore

Office Manager of Northwood Transit.