

LTAC, Thursday, April 16th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

- Meeting called to order – 2:01PM
- Introductions/Attendance –
 - Angie Guadagnini (MDHHS) – Present
 - Deanne Matthews (WellWise) – Present
 - Sarita Puri (disAbility Connections) – Present
 - Jen Allen – Present
 - Mike Barczak – Present
 - Leslie Krantz – Present
 - Dave Robinson – Present
 - Deb Hyatte (Catch-A-Ride Network) – Present
 - Cheryl Crim – Present
 - Beth Vansumeren (Center for Family Health) – Present
 - Hunter Causie (JATA staff) – Present
- Approval of February Minutes
 - Motion: Mike Barczak
 - Seconded: Angie Guadagnini
 - Vote:
- Staff Report
 - Administration Building Parking Lot Resurfacing Project – *In progress.*
 - Construction began 4/6/2026
 - Van Purchase (5307/STP Funds) – *In Progress.*
 - 2 replacement ADA vans (Anticipated April/May 2026)
 - Bus Shelter Rehab (replacing 15 Shelters) – *In progress*
 - 5339 No-Low
 - 2 Hybrid Buses Awarded
 - Awaiting Award Number for Cooperative Agreement
 - Anticipated Projects 2026
 - Parking Lot lights Rehab, bus storage floor rehab, Minivans for RTW, Paratransit vans, and Transfer Center rehab staff area
 - RAR Denials 2026
 - 2025 Total = 1,970
 - January – 245
 - February – 230
 - March – 136
 - MDDHS rides thus far 2026
 - January – 436
 - February – 470
 - March – 488
 - 2024 DHS Rides = 6,103
 - 2025 DHS Rides = 4,756
 - Open Role(s)
 - JATA has openings for one (1) Full-Time Mechanic, two (2) Utility Workers, two (2) dispatcher (Base & TC) , and always looking for more Part-Time Drivers

- New Business
 - Board Member application received
 - Goes to BOD April 23, 2026 for approval then LTAC
 - Abby Bennett, Lifeways
- Member Comments/Announcements
 - Dave R. – Spoke about Reserve-A-Ride not arriving at all after 5PM and no answer from dispatch at the Transfer Center
 - Angie G. – Would like to meet with another LAC and see how they function and connect with the Board
 - Hunter will reach out to Calhoun and Lenawee to observe and create conversation on this topic
 - Jen A. – Would like to see the Complaint Form updated to “Feedback” as it creates a perception from riders not to disclose issues
 - Mike B. – Requested that Reserve-A-Ride call and let him know their arrival time as well as call the day prior to let him know the pick-up time.
- Public Comment
 - N/A
- A Look Ahead –
 - National Transit Week 2026
 - June 18, 2026 next LTAC Meeting
- Adjourned – 3:10PM