



# City of Racine Meeting Minutes

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## Transit and Parking Commission

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Wednesday, November 29, 2006

4:30 PM

Room 301, City Hall

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### Call To Order

*The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ganaway at 4:30 P.M.*

Also Present: M. Glasheen, Acting Secretary; R. Jones, J. Rooney, T. Eeg, Public Works; L. Baylor, W. McDonald, PTMR; J. Heck, City Development; K. Niemiec, RCEDC; W. Madsen, Uptown Improvement Organization; M. Dzindzeleta

### 1. Approval of Minutes for the November 1, 2006 Meeting

*The minutes of the meeting held on November 1, 2006 were approved as printed.*

### Parking System Business

2. [06-2810](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Uptown Improvement Organization requesting the removal of meters from parking lots in the Uptown area.

**Recommendation:** The communication be received and filed.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Mr. Madsen distributed a letter dated November 29, 2006, stating that the current letter represented the most recent outcomes of a long discussion held by the Uptown group. He reviewed the most recent communication and the desires of the members.*

*Mr. Rooney noted that it appeared the group was not opposed to meters in the lot. He also noted the meters are only enforced 10 hours per day, six days a week. The meters are all 10-hour meters in Uptown Lot #1. In response to a question from Mr. Madsen, Mr. Rooney noted that by ordinance all lots have a 24-hour limit, and vehicles may be towed after 24 hours. Exceptions to this rule are 24-hour space renters.*

*Mr. Rooney distributed a report on the Uptown Lot #1 dated October 31, 2006. He reviewed the report. He stated that the City has reopened the unimproved rear portion of Uptown Lot #1 and reinstalled meters therein, and there are more spaces in the lot than before construction.*

*After discussion, Mr. Craft moved that the communication be received and filed. Mr. Kowbel seconded and the motion passed.*

**Recommended to be Received and Filed**

### 3. Miscellaneous Parking Business

*Mr. Rooney noted that Tom Eeg is now back at work after a long recovery from his accident and will be taking over the official duties as Commission secretary after a transition period, over the next several months. Members welcomed Mr. Eeg back to*

duty.

### Transit System Business

4. [06-2622](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit Planner wishing to discuss changes in the Belle Urban System transfer policy.

**Recommendation:** Item be deferred to the next meeting.

*Mr. Glasheen noted the new transfer cutters had not yet been installed due to scheduling problems with GFI Genfare.*

*Mr. Craft moved that the item be deferred to the next meeting. Ms. Kell seconded and the motion passed.*

**Deferred**

5. [06-2624](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit Planner regarding bus fare increases for 2007.

**Recommendation:** The proposed bus fare increases be approved, effective January 2, 2007 and the following tariff be adopted:

#### **2007 Fare Tariff**

Adult (18 - 64) - \$1.50

Evening Fare (after 7 P.M.) - \$1.25

Youth Fare (6 - 17) - \$1.25

With valid elementary or secondary school identification card  
Children (0 - 5)

When accompanied by an adult, up to four - Free

When accompanied by an adult, each child over 4 - \$0.50

Elderly (65+) - \$0.75

Disabled - \$0.75

Tokens to qualified agencies - \$1.00

Regular monthly bus passes - \$50.00

Disabled monthly bus passes - \$25.00

Ten-ride ticket book - \$12.50

Super weekend pass - \$2.50

Dial-A-Ride - \$2.50

**Fiscal Note:** The changes in bus fares are expected to increase revenues by about \$130,000, which funds have already been incorporated into the 2007 Belle Urban System budget, adopted on November 21, 2006.

*Mr. Glasheen distributed copies of the public hearing minutes and discussed the outcome of the public hearing.*

*After discussion between the Commission members and comments by Ms. Dzindzeleta, Mr. Kowbel moved that the bus rate tariff be approved as submitted for implementation on January 2, 2007. Mr. Craft seconded and the motion passed.*

**Recommended For Adoption**

6. [06-2787](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit Planner submitting the October 2006 financial and operating report for the Wisconsin Coach Lines, Inc. Kenosha-Racine-Milwaukee intercity bus service.

**Recommendation:** The communication be received and filed.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Mr. Craft moved that the report be received and filed. Mr. Kowbel seconded and the motion passed.*

**Recommended to be Received and Filed**

7. [06-2786](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit Planner submitting the September 2006 financial and operating report for the Belle Urban System.

**Recommendation:** The communication be received and filed.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Mr. Kowbel moved that the report be received and filed. Mr. Craft seconded and the motion passed.*

**Recommended to be Received and Filed**

**8. Miscellaneous Transit System Business**

*Mr. Glasheen advised members that a new manager has been hired for the Belle Urban System. His name is, Curtis Garner, and he comes from Grand Junction, Colorado. He was an associate of Ralph Power's at that transit system for about a year. Members and staff thanked Mr. Baylor for his efforts over the last two months.*

**9. Next Meeting Date**

*The next meeting of the Commission is tentatively scheduled (if needed) for Wednesday, December 20, 2006, at 4:30 P.M.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 P.M.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Michael J. Glasheen, Acting Secretary*

*Transit and Parking Commission*

*Approved,  
Deborah Ganaway, Chairman*

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