

**Franklin Grand Isle Mobility Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, August 22, 2024, Meeting Summary**  
**APPROVED December 19, 2024**

Present: Jordan Posner/CIDER, Kathy Lavoie/NRPC, Nick Foss/ GMT, Erica Marks/Age Well, Kyle Grenier/NRPC, Jacqui Kelley/VDOH, Tim Bradshaw/GMT, Nicole Grisgraber/Care Partners,

**Meeting Opened at 2:05 p.m.**

- 1) **Adjustments to Agenda: None**
- 2) **Committee & Guests Introductions:** Nicole Grisgraber, Care Partners Executive Director (replacing Sue Chase) introduced herself, spoke about her experience, discussed her goals as ED.
- 3) **Approval of Minutes: May 22, 2024:** Erica motion to accept; Jacqui seconded ~ Approved
- 4) **Budget & Local Agreements Discussion: Nick Foss, GMT**
  - a) See GMT Document: FY25 Older People & Persons with Disabilities (O&D) Program Budget
  - b) \$1.55M SOV for all counties, \$680K Federal for all counties; expect rates to increase FY25, up 21%, above \$115; FGI 44% same as FY24
  - c) Local Match for Partners discussed, will need to start FY25
  - d) Continued discussion regarding GMT's priorities for FY25
  - e) Discussed status of Local Agreement, forthcoming
  - f) End of Year FY24 to be discussed December meeting
  - g) Discussed need for more volunteer drivers; CIDER's help to GMT; decrease of services across system if volunteers do not increase; discussed use of UBER/LIFT, GMT to discuss
  - h) Discussed Mobility Management Funds and possibility of fulltime volunteer recruiter
- 5) **Brief Update Micro Transit Pilots & Feasibility Studies:** No Discussion
- 6) **Brief Discussion on O&D Program Survey:** Very brief discussion, including lack of response through paper copies; results to be presented at Annual Summit.
- 7) **O&D Volunteer Action Committee: Erica, Age Well**

Informal networking is working; no upcoming meetings scheduled; discussed FPF posting limitations GMT has that other non-profits do not have
- 8) **Partner Program Updates, Concerns & Announcements:**
  - a) Jordan Posner discussed new drivers, new vehicles
  - b) Erica Marks discussed the increased assisted transportation request and their new efforts in volunteer recruitment
  - c) Nicole Grisgraber discussed the impact on program & people, open capacity, due to lack of transportation
  - d) Katie Coe discussed the impact on HireAbility clients due to lack of public transportation and Medicaid rules
  - e) Jacqui Kelley discussed Medical Reserve Corp ~ Stop the Bleed program
  - f) Jacqui Kelley discussed interest in Matthew LaFluer (rider) to be invited to a future meeting to discuss his experience with the system

- g) Committee discussed inviting Vermont Public Transportation Association (VPTA) Executive Director, Elaine Haytko, to a future meeting to discuss Medicaid transportation related challenges
- h) Committee discussed inviting guest speakers to future meetings

9) **Public Comment: None**

10) **Next Meeting: December 19, 2:00-3:30 pm**

11) **Adjournment: 3:16 p.m.**