

**Emmet County
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, June 9, 2009**

Present: Commissioner Tom Shier, Chairman; Commissioner Les Atchison; Commissioner Tom Foltz; Controller Lyn Johnson; Recording Secretary Vickie Carpentier.

Absent: None

Guest: Kelley Atkins, Director Transportation and Development; Kathy Hart, MANNA Food Project; Michael Radmond, intern at Char-Em United Way.

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. by Chairman Shier in the Controller's Office Conference Room.

Minutes:

Review of the minutes of the June 10, 2008, August 11, 2008 and February 27, 2009 meetings was postponed.

Friends Enhancing Emmet Transit (FEET):

Kathy Hart, with the MANNA Food Project, provided information about *Friends Enhancing Emmet Transit*, a program to implement a public transit system for Emmet County.

Foltz commented that the County's voucher program was very specific and not meant to address all transportation problems.

Hart stated that FEET is trying to gather information and to get a proposed transportation millage placed on the ballot in 2010. She stated that studies have been made that support the need for public transportation services. FEET would like to have the endorsement of the Commissioners for the program.

Atchison and Shier recapped what the Transportation Committee has tried to do, and listed the other transportation services available in the area.

Discussion of countywide transportation issues. A questions and answer session was also done.

Shier noted that the Commissioners would need a quantitative study done.

Further discussion about transportation services and needs.

Atchison was appointed to prepare a Needs Survey.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Minutes approved: 06-24-2009