

PRTC SEPTEMBER 2022 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT FOR APPROVAL

**Pecatonica Rail Transit Commission
Special Commission Meeting – Friday, September 9, 2022 at 11:30 am
Sauk Prairie Police Department, Prairie du Sac, WI**

1. 12:19 PM **Call to order** – *Harvey Kubly, Chair*
2. Roll Call. **Establishment of Quorum** – *Matt Honer, Admin*

Green	Harvey W. Kubly	X	Iowa	Charles Anderson	X
	Kurt Schafer	X		Bill Ladewig	X
	Todd Larson	X		Kevin Peterson	X
Lafayette	Kurt Malott	<i>Absent</i>	Rock	Tom Brien	X
	<i>Luke McGuire</i>	<i>Absent</i>		Alan Sweeney	X
	Donna Flannery	<i>Excused</i>		Russ Podzilni	X
	Jeff Berget, Alternate				

Others present for all or some of the meeting:

- Pete Chen, Alliant Energy

3. Action Item. **Certification of Meeting’s Public Notice** – *Noticed by Honer*
 - o *Motion to approve meeting’s public notice – Sweeney/Ladewig. Passed Unanimously.*
4. Action Item. **Approval of Agenda** – *Prepared by Honer.*
 - o *Motion to approve the agenda. Ladewig/Anderson – Passed Unanimously.*
5. Updates. **Public Comment** – *time for public comment may be limited by the Chair.*
None.
6. Updates. **Announcements by Commissioners**
None.

REPORTS & COMMISSION BUSINESS

7. **Discussion and Action on Utility Permit in South Wayne on the Cheese Country Trail** – *Honer, Admin.*

Honer presented the review permit and did not have concerns about the proposed installation. He was happy to see one pole being removed from the right-of-way through the project.

- o *Motion to approve the utility permit in South Wayne as presented. Ladewig/Podzilni. Passed Unanimously.*

8. **Discussion and Action on Utility Permit and Temporary Access Permit in Mineral Point on the Cheese Country Trail** - *Honer, Admin.*

Honer presented the permit and pointed out that Alliant is requesting a variance from Trans 29 due to the location of the right-of-way next to Brewery Creek. Alliant/WP&L prefers to install plastic pipes because the lifespan is longer than steel. RTC Counsel Eileen Brownlee reviewed the permit and stated she did not see an issue with WP&L having a variance based on expressed need, as long as they included the statement that they will reinstall it to Trans 29 standards if rail were to return.

Honer stated the Temporary Access Permit is required because Alliant’s contractor is using the PRTC’s property for storage and staging.

- o *Motion to approve the utility permit and Temporary Access Permit in Mineral Point on the condition the utility is replaced to Trans 29 standards if rail were to return to the corridor. Sweeney/Anderson. Passed Unanimously.*

9. **Adjournment.**

- o *Motion to Adjourn at 12:30 am. Anderson/Podzilni. Passed Unanimously.*