Grand Vision

Transportation Network **Tuesday May 12, 2014**

DRAFT MEETING NOTES

In Attendance:

Matt Skeels Jim Moore Tom Menzel Jim Cook Marc McKellar Julie Clark

Mr. Moore called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

The April 8, 2014 meeting notes were reviewed and no changes were made.

Mr. Cook updated the Network members on the Grand Traverse County Road Commission millage projects. County Line Road and Karlin Roads are underway, Voice and Clark Roads will be next. South Airport Road Federal Aid project starts in June, Millage funds will be used to complete from where this project ends north along Cass Road to the City Limits. The Cass Road Bridge project will start in 2015.

Mr. Cook discussed the road funding issue being discussed in Lansing. The current statewide funding increase being considered is 500 million statewide. This would roughly translate to 1-1.2 million for Grand Traverse County. That sounds good, but in reality, we need much more.

The LaFrainer Road project will likely receive no funding from Grand Traverse County this year.

Ms. Clark reported that Smart Commute week would begin on June 2nd this year. MDOT Director Kirk Steudle will be in Traverse City and attend the Monday Morning breakfast. After that, the Transportation Network meeting will be rescheduled and he will attend the meeting from 9-10 at the Bank of Northern Michigan.

Mr. Menzel reported that some BATA busses will be wrapped for the Cherry Festival. BATA is also working to develop a Ski bus, much like the Trail bus that runs to Suttons Bay. BATA has revised their no-show policy which has resulted in dramatic reduction in no-shows which costs the organization a good deal of money.

Ms. Clark reported that the City of Traverse City's active transportation plan is nearly complete.

Mr. McKellar asked what the plan for this group is going forward. It appears that the membership is dwindling and we may want to consider where we are going.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.