Grand Vision

Transportation Network **Tuesday June 5, 2012**

DRAFT MEETING NOTES

In Attendance:

Matt Skeels Mike Woods Jim Moore Julie Clark Connor Miller Bob Carstens Dave Langhorst Valerie Schultz Herb Lemcool James Bruckbauer Chuck Korn Mary Gillis

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

Mr. Moore added Mike Woods' discussion of the BATA bus stop inventory to the agenda under Project Updates.

Mr. Woods reported on the BATA bus stop inventory, he is training the volunteers that will ultimately collect data on the amenities and conditions present at BATA bus stops in their service area.

Mr. Bruckbauer reported that the Transit Subcommittee is reviewing the administrations potential incentives for transit agencies to share services. BATA will be offering free service during the Cherry Festival and the Film Festival

Ms. Clark reported that the Complete Street Subcommittee had met and discussed the LIAA and TART Grant to re-launch the committee effort to institute Complete Street Ordinances or policies in area communities. The group has been divided into three sub groups, Outreach, Policy and Inventory.

Ms. Clark also reported that the Sleeping Bear Trail will be opening soon, the Leelanau Trail should be paved by July 1.

Ms. Gillis reported that the upgraded traffic signal and associated work at the intersection of South Airport and Park is complete. The Repaving of North Long Lake between Barnes road and the Montessori School drive will begin next week. The final phase of the Safe Routes to School project and the work on Karlin Road will be finished in August. Mr. Skeels discussed the "Grand Vision to Grand Action" Regional Plan for Sustainable Development. The project began in March and will run through February 2015. The purpose is to augment the region's planning and implementation capacity to build economically sustainable, and opportunity rich comminutes through the regional efforts. The Transportation Plan portion of the HUD plan is one of the four sub-plans to be written. The others are Housing, Land Use and Energy, throughout the sub plans the topics of economic opportunity, socioeconomic inequality, social equity, environmental quality, fresh food access and creating healthy communities will be addressed.

Network members asked if there was a feedback loop built in to the plan review process to ensure comments are included in the final plan document. Staff will check on that and report back to the Network.

The Transportation Plan draft outline was presented and the Network members commented on the content, the comments will be incorporated in the next draft.

The Network members in attendance agreed by consensus to cancel the July 3rd meeting and hold the next regular meeting on August 7th, with the understanding that a special meeting may be called if necessary.

During public comments, Mr. Lemcool stated that Grand Traverse County is selling the current County Health Department building on Garfield Road and will be moving to the new building on LaFrainer Road soon.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50pm.