

MATS ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

12 May 2026

MEETING MINUTES

ZOOM MTG:

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm
2. In attendance:

Jeff VanDyke (Disability Network); Rosemarie Facilla (rider), and
Mike Milligan (ADA Coordinator)
3. Mike Milligan welcomed everyone to the meeting.
4. Reviewed the 13 January 2026 minutes.
 - Mike provided the ridership numbers for April.
5. New Business
 - Jeff brought up the issue that the Go2 Vans have a very steep position for wheel chairs, which if not secured properly, the wheelchair could fall back. Asked about a possible installation of hand bar the rider can use for stability.
 - Jeff also indicated that not all drivers are properly securing wheelchairs on the fixed route buses. One driver hooked it to his wheel, and he has welded brackets on his chair.
 - Rosemary asked about MATS becoming an Authority. I indicated those discussions have been discontinued and we don't see it being brought back until MATS has new leadership.
 - I informed the group Mr. Koens had resigned from his position as System Manager, and taken a position with MDOT. MATS is actively looking for his replacement.
6. There were no other issues brought up in regards to MATS meeting its ADA requirements.
7. The next meeting is scheduled for 8 September 2026 and will be a Zoom meeting. If you would like more information or receive an invite, please contact the ADA Coordinator by email at: milliganmi@co.muskegon.mi.us
8. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm.