Mountain Line Transit Authority Citizen Advisory Committee
Minutes – March 19, 2008

The March meeting of the Mountain Line Transit Authority Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) was held on Wednesday March 19, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. in the offices of the Transit Authority in Westover. The following members were in attendance: Cindy Plummer (DHHR), Andrew Socolow (Gold Line), Cindi Staley (Senior Monongalians, Inc.), Lisa Hunt (NWVCIL).

Not present with notice: Lou Dempsey
Not present without notice: Regina Mayolo (CLIC)
Others in attendance: Mountain Line Staff

General Business
- There were no January minutes available.

General Manager Report

January
- Data summaries show that for the first time in 29 months the ridership did not see an increase over January of last year.
- For the month of January the ridership was at 69145.
- There was a -5% Change in ridership compared to last year.
- There was a -5% change in riders compared to January of last year.
- There is a 52% increase in disabled ridership.
- There was a 9% increase in senior ridership.
- There was a -12% decrease in WVU ridership compared to this month last year.
- The Grey Line Passengers are at an average of 23 per day.

February
- Ridership was 90714 for the month of February.
- There was a 6% increase in ridership compared to this time last year
- There was a 15% increase in ridership compared to this month last year.
- Disabled Ridership is up 72%
- Senior Ridership is up 38%
- WVU ridership is up 11% compared to this month last year.

Old Business
- Intermodal Facility is on schedule and they expect to have received Design Build Proposals by May 20, 2008. They will give the notice to proceed by July 1, 2008 and the completion date is set for July 1, 2009
- Master Plan Update – We have made traffic pattern change recommendations street-wise, at the last meeting there were several options that were narrowed down and now they are waiting for estimates and proposals.
- JARC Funding – MLTA has received money from another system that wasn’t able to make the match, also they were approved for their normal JARC funding and this will be able to hold them for the next 12 months
- As follow-up to a comment from the previous meeting all of the seat belts on the buses are being checked to assure they are in working order.

New Business
- The Westover Park & Ride Parking shuttles will be suspended until further notice.
The New Valley Demo Route will kick off on Monday March 17th at 11:00am and the route will begin on Monday March 31, 2008.

MLTA presented the Cassville Demonstration route that would last for one year and would add another bus to the route creating ½ hour frequency out to Cassville.

MLTA is working to get their bus system on Google Transit.

**Public Comment**

- No members of the general public were present with comments.

The next meeting of the CAC will be on July 16, 2008 at the Mountain Line office in Westover. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.