



**MASS TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 22, 2022 BOARD MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Luke Zelle-Vice Chair, Scott Grossmeyer, Lisa Anderson, Tommie Johnson, Joseph King, Quincy Murphy, Charles Winfrey, Glenn Wilson

**GUEST:** Attorney Michael Joliat

**STAFF:** Ed Benning, Jacqueline Saxton, Ken Vavra, Corwin Mathews, Shawnice Dorsey, Colette Champine, Rod Evans, Ed Burger, Traci Davis, Patrick Tesler, Karl Petrich, Michael Foerster

Vice Chairman Zelle called the regular board meeting to order at 8:02 A.M.

Luke Zelle stated that it is with a very heavy heart that he calls this board meeting to order, and he thanked Ed Benning, board members, and staff for their support and flexibility in rescheduling the meeting to give board members and the MTA family time to process, grieve and celebrate Bryant Nolden.

Luke asked, before Public Comments, that everyone take a moment of silence to recognize Bryant "BB" Nolden.

**Comments of the Public**

None

**Approval of the November 17, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Scott Grossmeyer, to approve the November 17, 2022, board meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution #23-18 authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Consumers Energy Company to purchase their Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Station located in Grand Blanc, MI, in the amount of \$3.85 million, financed by Consumers Energy Company at a 5% interest rate over a 7-year term.**

Ed Benning stated that the original agreement with Consumers Energy was for a period of 20 years, with the MTA owning the station once the 20-year term was over. Consumer Energy approached the MTA with a request to sell the station now, under a new agreement with a 7-year term.

Scott Grossmeyer made a motion, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #23-18. Motion approved unanimously.

**Resolution #23-19 authorizing the General Manager to exercise the first option and enter into an agreement to renew the Mass Transportation Authority's existing contract with Health Alliance Plan (HAP), Detroit, MI for Healthcare Benefits for a one-year period, with a contract beginning date of January 1, 2023.**

Scott Grossmeyer made a motion, supported by Lisa Anderson, to approve Resolution #23-19. Motion approved unanimously.

**Resolution #23-20 authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with New Flyer of America to purchase two 40' New Flyer Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Transit Buses, required training, and diagnostic equipment, for a total amount not to exceed \$2,619,843.60.**

Ed Benning stated that through the Low or No Emissions Competitive Grant Program the MTA was awarded grant funds to purchase two hydrogen fuel cell electric buses.

Scott Grossmeyer made a motion, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #23-20. Motion approved unanimously.

**Resolution #23-21 authorizing the General Manager to modify the current Snow and Ice Removal Service Agreement with Superior Lawn and Landscape, Inc. (Flint, MI) to add snow removal service at 8533 N. Saginaw Road, at an additional cost of \$2,400.00, for a total 2022-2023 winter season contract cost of \$188,400.00.**

Ed Benning stated that this is an amendment to the original agreement approved by the board in October 2022, to include the turnaround area out on Saginaw Road.

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Quincy Murphy, to approve Resolution #23-21. Motion approved unanimously.

**General Managers Report**

Ed Benning updated the board on federal and state funding, obtaining an agreement for grant writing services, and the planned memorial garden at the Grand Blanc facility which will include recognition of Bryant Nolden, other board members and employees that have passed.

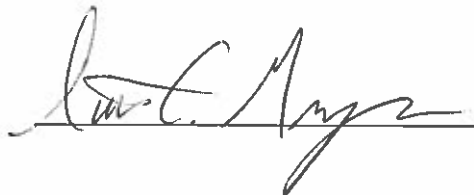
Luke Zelle added that the passing of Bryant Nolden is a huge loss for the MTA and for the community. As difficult as it is, going forward options need to be looked at to fill the position of board chair. Luke stated as vice chair he would be willing to fill the position until September 2023 when officer elections are due again.

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Glenn Wilson, to elect Luke Zelle in the position of board chairman for the Mass Transportation Authority. Motion approved unanimously.

Quincy Murphy made a motion, supported by Charles Winfrey, to elect Glenn Wilson in the position of vice chairman for the Mass Transportation Authority. Motion approved unanimously.

Ed Benning thanked board members for their support and dedication to the MTA and wished them and their families a great, safe holiday season.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 A.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Grossmeyer", written over a horizontal line.