

PRESENT: Bryant Nolden, Chair, Luke Zelley, Scott Grossmeyer, Lisa Anderson, Tommie Johnson.

Joseph King, Charles Winfrey, Quincy Murphy, Glenn Wilson

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Ken Vavra, Jacqueline Saxton, Corwin Matthews, Ed Burger, Harmony Lloyd,

Shawnice Dorsey, Patrick Tesler, Michael Foerster

GUESTS: Michael Joliat, Attorney

Chairman Nolden called the meeting to order at 8:01 A.M.

### Comments of the Public

Mr. Corey Rowe, a resident of Flint and regional route passenger, stated that the City of Auburn Hills is planning to eliminate its relationship with SMART Bus system in southeast Michigan, which will alter his current commute. Mr. Rowe asked the board to explore what the MTA could possibly do to assist with this issue.

Chairman Nolden thanked Mr. Rowe for coming before the board; it was agreed that Harmony Lloyd, MTA COO of Planning will reach out to SMART Bus and respond to Mr. Rowe.

# Approval of the November 18, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Charles Winfrey moved, supported by Joseph King, to approve the November 18, 2021 regular board meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

## Executive Session

Attorney Michael Joliat requested that the board meet in closed session to discuss cases 20-114371-NI, 20-114860-NF, and C 20-G-4752-GC. Attorney Joliat stated that these cases are pending litigation and to discuss them publicly may jeopardize the ability of the MTA to settle the cases.

Joseph King moved, supported by Charles Winfrey, to move into Executive Session for the purpose as stated by Attorney Joliat.

### Roll Call Vote:

Bryant Nolden, Luke Zelley, Scott Grossmeyer, Lisa Anderson, Tommie Johnson, Joseph King, Charles Winfrey, Quincy Murphy voted in the affirmative. Motion carried. Regular session suspended: 8:05 A.M.

Quincy Murphy moved, supported by Joseph King, to go out of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular session reconvened: 8:18 A.M.

Attorney Joliat asked the board to approve the recommendation made on cases 20-114371-NI, 20-114860-NF, and C 20-G-4752-GC, as presented in closed session.

Charles Winfrey moved, supported by Scott Grossmeyer, to approve the recommendations made by Attorney Joliat. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #22-12 certifying that FY 2022 Section 5307 capital funds are not needed for the Mass Transportation Authority to achieve full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Ken Vavra stated that this, along with the next two resolutions, are yearly requirements.

Charles Winfrey moved, supported by Scott Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #22-12. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #22-13 authorizing the approval of the Intent to Apply for State Formula Operating Assistance for fiscal year 2023 under Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended.

Glenn Wilson moved, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #22-13. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #22-14 authorizing the filing of applications with the Federal Transit Administration, an operating administration of the United States Department of Transportation, for federal transportation assistance for Fiscal Year 2022.

Charles Winfrey moved, supported by Scott Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #22-14. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #22-15 authorizing the General Manager to renew the lease agreement with Happy's Pizza Franchise and enter into a five-year agreement for the concession space located at the MTA Northrup Abrams Transportation Center 615 Harrison St., Flint for a monthly payment of \$750.00.

Quincy Murphy moved, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #22-15.

Corwin Matthews stated that this lease renewal is for a five-year period; the original lease was for one year and because the restaurant opening was delayed due to undue circumstances, the board approved another year on the original lease.

Much discussion ensued regarding lease terms, maintenance fees and yearly increases.

Motion approved; eight yea's, one nay.

Resolution #22-16 authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Feldman Ford, Detroit, MI to purchase six 2022 Ford Explorers with optional equipment, at a total not to exceed delivered price of \$202,188.00.

Corwin Matthews stated that this vehicle purchase is for Rides to Wellness and is available through state and federal grants.

Charles Winfrey moved, supported by Glenn Wilson, to approve Resolution #22-16. Motion approved unanimously.

### **Comments of Board Members**

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 A.M.

Statt Morry