



**MASS TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 26, 2023 BOARD MEETING**

PRESENT: Luke Zelle, Scott Grossmeyer, Charles Winfrey, Joseph King, Ellen Ellenburg,
ABSENT: Tommie Johnson, Glenn Wilson, Sharon Reeves
GUESTS: Scott Bennett
STAFF: Ed Benning, Jacqueline Saxton, Ken Vavra, Corwin Mathews, Karl Petrich,
Colette Champine, Melinda Johnson, Ed Burger, Traci Davis, Patrick Tesler, Paul Mattern,
Mike Foerster

Chairman Zelle called the board meeting to order at 8:01 A.M., stating there is one additional item to add to the agenda, Resolution #24-05.

Chairman Zelle introduced Scott Bennett to board members stating that Scott will be replacing Lisa Anderson on the board once approval is received from the county commission.

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Ellen Ellenburg to approve the October 26, 2023 board meeting agenda as revised. Motion approved unanimously.

Comments of the Public

None

Approval of the September 28, 2023 Annual and Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Scott Grossmeyer made a motion, supported by Ellen Ellenburg, to approve the September 28, 2023 annual and regular board meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #24-01 authorizing the filing of applications with the Federal Transit Administration for federal transportation assistance for FY 2024.

Ellen Ellenburg made a motion, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #24-01.

Ed Benning stated that both resolution 24-01 and 24-02 are annual requirements.

Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #24-02 certifying that FY 2024 Section 5307 capital funds are not needed for the Mass Transportation Authority to achieve full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Scott Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #24-02. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #24-03 authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Superior Lawn and Landscape, Inc. (Flint, MI) for Snow and Ice Removal Services at eleven MTA facility locations for the 2023-2024 winter season, at total contract cost of \$192,750.00.

Scott Grossmeyer made a motion, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #24-03.

Corwin Mathews stated that two new locations have been added to the agreement this year and there will be a slight increase in the contract cost compared to last year.

Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #24-04 by the Mass Transportation Authority Board of Directors to approve the four-year Labor Agreement with the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 3437-B Maintenance Employees.

Scott Grossmeyer made a motion, supported by Charles Winfrey, to approve Resolution #24-04.

Ed Benning stated that an overview of changes made to the contract was distributed to board members and that the working together with MTA staff and the Union provided for a fair contract for the maintenance employees.

Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #24-05 authorizing the General Manager to contribute 10,000 one punch bus passes to the Emergency Transportation Fund administered by the United Way of Genesee County.

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Scott Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #24-05.

Ed Benning stated that this is an annual initiative that includes a partnership with United Way and Huntington Bank. A press conference is scheduled for the end of November to announce the distribution of the passes.

Motion approved unanimously.

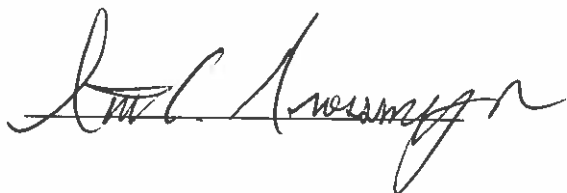
General Managers Report

Ed Benning updated the board on his attendance at the APTA Annual Meeting and the large number of attendees this year to the meeting. He spoke to the group about the MTA's participation in the MachH2 hydrogen project, and on becoming a hub and training center.

Ed Benning mentioned that a date for the November board meeting has to be decided and offered the date of November 30, 2023.

Charles Winfrey made a motion, supported by Ellen Ellenburg, for the next board meeting to be held on November 30, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 A.M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott Grossmeyer". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.