



**MASS TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 22, 2020
ANNUAL MEETING & BOARD MEETING**

PRESENT: Bryant Nolden, Luke Zolley, Cathy Lane, Quincy Murphy, Scott Grossmeyer, Tommie Johnson, Ted Henry (8:30 am), Joseph King (8:45 am)

ABSENT: Herbert Winfrey, Glenn Wilson

STAFF: Ed Benning, Jacqueline Saxton, Ken Vavra, Corwin Mathews

Chairman Nolden called the Annual Meeting to order at 8:23 A.M.

Calendar of Meetings

Mr. Benning stated that the calendar of meetings for the new fiscal year has been distributed; a meeting date for August 2021 needs to be decided on.

The board recommended Monday August 30, 2021 as the meeting date for August.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Murphy, to accept the FY 2021 meeting calendar with the change to August. Motion passed unanimously.

Affirmation of Legal Counsel

Mr. Benning stated that the legal firms currently under contract to provide services for the MTA are Attorney Michael Joliat, as general counsel litigating accidents and injuries, and Hanba & Lazar for workers compensation cases; this would be an affirmation of the current services.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Grossmeyer, to affirm the Mass Transportation Authority current legal counsel. Motion passed unanimously.

Affirmation of Banking Services

Mr. Benning stated that affirmation of Huntington Bank for the Authority's current banking services is required.

Mr. Grossmeyer moved, supported by Mr. Zolley, to affirm the services of Huntington Bank for the organizations banking requirements. Motion passed unanimously.

Election of Officers - Nominations for board positions of Chair, Vice-Chair and Recording Officer (Secretary) were made from the floor.

Nominations were requested from the floor for the position of Board Chair; Bryant Nolden expressed interest in remaining the chair; no other nominations were expressed; nominations were closed.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Grossmeyer, to affirm Bryant Nolden as board chair. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations were requested from the floor for the position of Vice Board Chair; Bryant Nolden nominated Luke Zolley to remain in the position of Vice Board Chair; Mr. Zolley accepted the nomination; no other nominations were expressed; nominations were closed.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Nolden, to affirm Luke Zolley as the vice board chair. Motion passed unanimously.

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Nominations were requested from the floor for the position of Recording Officer (Secretary); Ms. Lane nominated Scott Grossmeyer for Recording Officer; no other nominations were expressed; nominations were closed.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Nolden, to affirm Scott Grossmeyer as recording officer. Motion passed unanimously.

Annual meeting adjourned 8:29 AM

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Chairman Nolden called the regular board meeting to order at 8:30 A.M., stating that there is one additional item to add to the agenda, Resolution #21-07.

Mr. Henry stated that this item was discussed in the Finance Committee meeting. Mr. Henry moved, supported by Mr. Zelley, to add this item to the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments of the Public

None

Approval of the September 24, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Henry moved, supported by Ms. Lane, to approve the September 24, 2020 regular board meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the September 22, 2020 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Mr. Henry moved, supported by Ms. Lane, to approve the September 22, 2020 finance committee meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #21-01 authorizing the General Manager to enter into a one-year Product Supply Agreement with McLaren Engineering of Livonia, MI for the sale of hydrogen.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #21-01. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #21-02 authorizing the General Manager to utilize the MiDEAL State of Michigan Extended Purchasing Program to purchase seven LPG Powered Ford Transit Lift Equipped Vans and selected options from Hoekstra Transportation for an amount not to exceed \$467,166.00.

Mr. Henry moved, supported by Ms. Lane, to approve Resolution #21-02. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #21-03 authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Outfront Media Group to extend the current contract for up to an additional three-month period, with a 50% split of revenues from bus advertisements.

Mr. Grossmeyer moved, supported by Mr. Zelley, to approve Resolution #21-03. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #21-04 authorizing the General Manager to utilize the State of Michigan MiDEAL Extended Purchasing Program to purchase one Eldorado Aerotech Small Bus and Optional Equipment for Jewish Community Services from Hoekstra Transportation Inc, of Grand Rapids, MI, for an amount not to exceed \$75,847.43.

Mr. Henry moved, supported by Mr. Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #21-04. Motion approved unanimously.

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Resolution #21-05 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 2021.

Mr. Henry moved, supported by Ms. Lane, to approve Resolution #21-05. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #21-06 certifying that FY 2021 Section 5307 capital funds are not needed for the Mass Transportation Authority to achieve full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Mr. Zelle moved, supported by Mr. Grossmeyer, to approve Resolution #21-06. Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution #21-07 authorizing the General Manager to amend an agreement with A.J. Gallagher Risk Management Services (Grand Rapids, MI) to add an additional cost of \$116,762.50 to the agreement for the purchase of complete line of Comprehensive Insurance Coverage and Risk Management for a twelve-month period, at a cost of \$1,070,081.50.

Mr. Benning stated that this additional coverage was recommended by A.J. Gallagher.

Ms. Lane moved, supported by Mr. Henry, to approve Resolution #21-07. Motion approved unanimously.

General Managers Report

Mr. Benning updated the board on the recent visit of Congressman Dan Kildee to the MTA, pointing out the story boards within the room that show some of the ways that CARES Act funding is being utilized. Mr. Benning reported that the MTA is working with additional new providers in the Rides to Wellness service and provided an overall update on ridership within the various divisions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 A.M.



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