

**SUBURBAN MOBILITY AUTHORITY FOR REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

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| APPROVED MINUTES – June 23, 2016 |
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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) was held on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 2:00 PM. The meeting was held at the Buhl Building, 535 Griswold, Suite 600, Detroit, MI 48226.

ATTENDANCE

SMART Board of Directors:

Chairman
Vice-Chairman

Ms. Melissa Roy
Mr. Gerald Poisson
Mr. Robert Daddow
Mr. Abdul Haidous
Mr. Rudy Hobbs
Mr. Royce Maniko
Mr. John Paul Rea

SMART Board Secretary:

Ms. Tiffany Martin-Patterson

SMART General Manager:

Mr. John Hertel

SMART Staff Present:

Ms. Colleen Astalos
Mr. Fred Barbret
Mr. Ron Beier
Ms. Michelle Busuito
Ms. Lauri Cowhy
Mr. Robert Cramer
Ms. Beverly Crockett
Mr. Stephen Dobbins
Mr. Mel Evans
Mr. John Foster
Ms. Karen Foster
Mr. Avery Gordon
Ms. Melissa Hightower
Mr. Joni Hyska
Mr. Darrell Taylor
Ms. Malinda Westbrook
Ms. Madonna Van Fossen
Ms. Brenda Yncian

Public Registered:

Passenger

Mr. Eugene Conway

1. Call to Order

Chairman Melissa Roy called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.

A) Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Melissa Roy, Vice-Chairman Gerald Poisson, Mr. Royce Maniko, Mr. John Paul Rea, Mr. Robert Daddow, Mr. Rudy Hobbs and Mr. Abdul Haidous

A quorum was present.

3. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Abdul Haidous, seconded by Mr. John Paul Rea, that the Board amend the agenda for June 23, 2016.

DISCUSSION

None

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Certification of Public Notice

The Secretary read the Public Notice into the record.

5. Minutes

Budget Committee Meeting Minutes for May 26, 2016

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Robert Daddow seconded by Mr. John Paul Rea to receive and file the Budget Committee Meeting minutes from May 26, 2016.

DISCUSSION:

None

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Board Meeting Minutes for May 26, 2016

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Abdul Haidous seconded by Mr. Royce Maniko to approve the Board Meeting minutes from May 26, 2016.

DISCUSSION:

None

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Public Participation

Chairman Roy declared the meeting open for public participation.

DISCUSSION:

None

7. Chairman's Report

DISCUSSION:

None

8. General Manager's Report

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Hertel reported on the following:

- Led an ongoing analysis of the RTA Master Plan.
- Continued coordination with DDOT and RTA on Rflex services, including hosting public workshops and public hearings in May. Target date for deployment is still September 1st.
- Met with the City of Troy regarding additional potential CPP services.
- Continued to work with Buhl Building on lease renewal proposal and continued research on new lease options for SMART's administrative offices. Currently waiting on Final cost proposal for second floor space.
- Currently have 25 DDOT buses and 18 new Gillig busses in operation on the road everyday
- Began a Connector training class for 16 driver on June 6, 2016.
- Manager of Procurement, 2 Connector Driver's and 1 Mechanic will retire in June 2016.

Filled Positions:

- Employment Specialist
- Maintenance Supervisor
- 3 Coach Service Attendants
- 2 Bus Shelter Attendants

9. New Business

Resolution: Standing Resolution Settings Regular Board Meetings

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Gerald Poisson, seconded by Mr. Royce Maniko, that the Board of Directors of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation hereby adopts the foregoing schedule as its own for FY2017.

Board Meetings

JULY 28, 2016
AUGUST 25, 2016
SEPTEMBER 22, 2016
OCTOBER 27, 2016
DECEMBER 1, 2016
JANUARY 26, 2017
FEBRUARY 23, 2017
MARCH 23, 2017
APRIL 27, 2017
MAY 25, 2017
JUNE 22, 2017

DISCUSSION:

None

VOTE: Board members in attendance voted in the affirmative. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution: Authorization to Award a Contract for Network Services for a Wide Area Network (WAN)

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Rudy Hobbs, seconded by Mr. Abdul Haidous, that the General Manager of Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) is hereby authorized to award a requirements contract for WAN services to Fibertech

Technologies Networks DBA Lightower Fiber Networks. The total amount of the contract is estimated to be \$372,000.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Poisson asked if the contractor has a local presence. Mr. Melvin Evans, SMART's Information Manager stated said "Yes" they have offices and staff in Michigan to support SMART.

Mr. Maniko commended the staff for saving the Authority \$100,000 with this new contract.

VOTE: Board members in attendance voted in the affirmative. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

10. Board Member Business

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Maniko stated LETC is up for a Millage. If the Millage does not pass, Bedford Township will not receive funding.

11. Executive Session

Roll Call

Present: Chairman Melissa Roy, Vice-Chairman Gerald Poisson, Mr. Abdul Haidous, Mr. Robert Daddow, Mr. Royce Maniko, Mr. Rudy Hobbs and Mr. John Paul Rea.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Gerald Poisson, seconded by Mr. John Paul Rea, that the Board of Directors of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation hereby authorizes the Board to **proceed into** Executive Session to discuss negotiations for our collective bargaining.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative after the Roll Call vote. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Union Negotiations

DISCUSSION:

Confidential

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Gerald Poisson, seconded by Mr. Abdul Haidous, that the Board of Directors of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation hereby authorizes the move to **proceed out** of Executive Session.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Board member Mr. Gerald Poisson, seconded by Mr. John Paul Rea, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 2:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Tiffany C. Martin-Patterson
Secretary to the Board of Directors