

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT**

July 27, 2022

The regular meeting of the Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at MetroLINK's Administrative Office at 1515 River Drive in Moline, IL at 1:00 PM with Chairperson Tyler-Jamison presiding. Recording Secretary Tearani McDonald called the roll of the Board Members

Trustees Present

Berlinda Tyler-Jamison – Rock Island
Dave Krouth – Milan
Maria Ontiveros – Moline
Melinda Thorngren – Silvis
Theresa Appleman – East Moline

Trustees Absent/Excused

Others Present

Jeff Nelson – CEO/Managing Director
Chelsey Waterman - COO
Brad Begyn – Manager of Operations & Maintenance
Colleen Kasbohm – Director of Finance
Ralph Beswick – Director of Operations
Don Krueger – Director of Risk Management & Security
Devon White – Director of Innovation
Josh Hatler – Project Planner
Eric Crane - IT Technician
Bill Baney – Deputy Sheriff
Tearani McDonald – Recording Secretary
Roger Strandlund – MetroLINK Legal Counsel

Employee Recognition

Chairperson Tyler-Jamison gave the floor to Mr. Nelson. Mr. Nelson presented Transportation Coordinator, Todd Franzen with a retirement plaque. Mr. Franzen is retiring this Friday, July 29th after 15 years of service.

Public with Business Before the Board

None

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Appleman made a motion, with Trustee Thorngren seconding, that the minutes of the July 13, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting be approved. There being no further discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. With all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

Communications

Mrs. Hirsch reported that City of Bettendorf, Mayor Bob Gallagher rode the Channel Cat Water Taxi this week. The interview was shared on the City of Bettendorf's Facebook page. News Channel 8 did a story this week on MetroLINK's 100% eco-friendly fleet. MetroLINK is decommissioning the last of its diesel buses.

Reports of Officers, Committees, and the CEO/Managing Director

Ridership Report

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee Appleman seconding, to approve the June 2022 Ridership Report. There being no further discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. With all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

Maintenance Report

Trustee Ontiveros made a motion, with Trustee Thorngren seconding, to approve the June 2022 Maintenance Report. There being no further discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. With all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

CEO/Managing Director's Report

Mr. Nelson reported STS Bargaining began last week. Staff will reconvene next month to finalize the agreement. The final Proterra bus has been received this week. Once testing is complete the new buses will go out in service within the next couple of weeks. Channel Cat ridership and activities were reported on. Mr. Nelson discussed natural gas hedging options with the Board members.

Old Business

Personnel

None

Consideration of Annual Updates to MetroLINK's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTSAP)

Trustee Ontiveros made a motion, with Trustee Krouth seconding, to remove this item from the table. There being no discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", and the Chairperson declared the motion carried. Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Thorngren seconding to adopt updates to MetroLINK's proposed Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (Version 3). After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

New Business

Resolution 2022-11 Review of Closed Session Minutes

Trustee Thorngren made a motion, with Trustee Ontiveros seconding, to approve Resolution 2022-11 on action pertaining to closed session minutes. After discussion a roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", and the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Disposal of Surplus Vehicles – 522, 624, 307, 308

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee Appleman seconding, to approve publication of Public Auctions for the sale of surplus vehicles 522, 624, 307 and 308 and proceed with sales to responsive and responsible bidders. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting “Aye”, and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Consideration of FY2023-2025 DBE Goal

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee Appleman seconding, to approve MetroLINK’s FY2023-2025 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal of 3.05%. This approval is contingent on no additional public comments. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting “Aye”, and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Moline & RI-Milan K-12 Free Ride Scholarship Program Extension

Trustee Ontiveros made a motion, with Trustee Thorngren seconding, approval to extend the “free ride scholarship” program for K-12 students traveling to/from Moline, Rock Island-Milan, and UTHS schools for the 2022-2023 school year (August 2022 - June 2023). After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting “Aye”, and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Illinois Rebuild Round 3 Grant – Public Notice

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee Thorngren seconding, to approve and concur on permission to publish a public notice for an opportunity for public comment for and Illinois Department of Transportation Rebuild Round 3 Capital Grant application. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting “Aye”, and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Resolution 2022-10 Submittal of an Illinois Rebuild Round 3 Grant Application

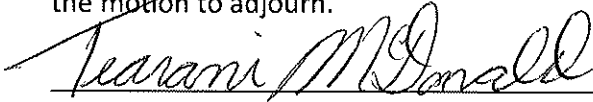
Trustee Appleman made a motion, with Trustee Thorngren seconding, to approve Resolution 2022-10, authorizing the preparation and submittal of an Illinois Rebuild Round 3 Capital Grant Application for the projects noted in the memo. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting “Aye”, and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Other Business

Chairperson Tyler-Jamison raised concerns about the transmission of Monkey Pox. Mr. Nelson addressed her concerns. Mr. Nelson reported on upcoming APTA conferences.

Adjourn

At 2:38 p.m. Chairperson Tyler-Jamison entertained a motion to adjourn. Trustee Ontiveros made the motion to adjourn.



Tearani McDonald, Recording Secretary



Berlinda Tyler-Jamison, Chairperson



Maria Ontiveros, Secretary-Treasurer