

MINUTES OF THE
CAPITAL AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020
3:00 PM – CATA BOARD ROOM
4615 TRANTER STREET, LANSING, MI 48910

PRESENT: Nathan Triplett, Chair
Dusty Fancher, Secretary/Treasurer
Mark Grebner
Dion'trae Hayes
Donna Rose
Jennie Gies
Peter Kuhnmuench
Derek Melot

ABSENT: Douglas Lecato, Vice Chair

EXCUSED LATE: Shanna Draheim, Dan Opsommer, and John Prush

CALL TO ORDER:

Nathan Triplett, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Correspondence to the Board

Chair Triplett noted emails that were sent to the Board.

Public Comments

Katie Kelley reported that negotiations are making progress and is optimistic that there will be a contract soon. Ms. Kelley also expressed her appreciation for Andrew Brieschke, Chief Negotiator, and his team.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS:

MOTION:

A motion to excuse Doug Lecato absence was made by Peter Kuhnmuench and supported by Derek Melot.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

New IT Director

Mr. Funkhouser introduced CATA's new IT Director, Dan Goodemoot.

Millage

The millage ballot language has been cleared by attorneys and is ready for March 10, 2020 ballot.

Lansing Community Partners

Mr. Funkhouser reported on meeting with community partners in the area.

New Operator's Class

A new operator's class of six (6) will begin on February 3, 2020.

Negotiation Team

Mr. Funkhouser acknowledged Andrew Brieschke, Deputy CEO/Chief Negotiator along with his team.

Dion'trae Hayes inquired about seeing the millage language prior to being placed on the ballot.

Mr. Funkhouser replied yes, he will email a copy of the millage to the Board.

Dion'trae Hayes requested Dan Goodemoot share more of his background.

Dan Goodemoot discussed his past.

Chair Triplett welcomed Dan Goodemoot.

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2019, BOARD MEETING
- B. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2019
 - 1. Interim Income Statement
 - 2. Cash Summary
 - 3. Investments
 - 4. Fifth Third Investment Account Reconciliation
- C. CONTRACT FOR BUY AMERICA VEHICLE AUDITS AND INSPECTION SERVICES

PROPOSED MOTION: That the CATA Board of Directors authorizes Board Chair, Nathan Triplett, and Chief Executive Officer, Bradley T. Funkhouser, to execute a contract with TRC Engineering Services, LLC in the amount of \$58,445.00, plus any incurred cost for production delays, for the Buy America Vehicle Audits and Inspection Services, on such other terms and conditions as the Board Chair and the Chief Executive Officer deem necessary.

- D. CENSUS 2020 COMPLETE COUNT INITIATIVE

PROPOSED MOTION: That the Board of Directors approves Staff's proposed *Be Counted Michigan 2020* communication plan, effective through April 1, 2020, at a cost not to exceed \$35,000, to ensure fair representation through legislative districting and funding for critical programs and services, and that Chief Executive Officer, Bradley T. Funkhouser is authorized to implement this program on such other terms and conditions he deems appropriate.

MOTION:

Shanna Draheim motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Jennie Gies supported the motion.

VOTE: The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. PURCHASE OF LOW-FLOOR MINIVANS

PROPOSED MOTION: That the CATA Board of Directors authorizes Board Chair, Nathan Triplett, and Chief Executive Officer, Bradley T. Funkhouser, to execute a purchase with Hoekstra Transportation, Grand Rapids, Michigan, to purchase twenty (20) accessible low floor minivans from the State of Michigan contract for a total amount of \$735,100.00, pending successful completion of necessary Buy America audits, on such other terms and conditions as the Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer deem necessary.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Pete Kuhnmuench and supported by Shanna Draheim to approve Old Business A, PURCHASE OF LOW-FLOOR MINIVANS.

DISCUSSION:

Dusty Fancher inquired on the number of vans currently at CATA.

Andrew Brieschke replied CATA currently owns 53 vans.

Dusty Fancher inquired on the number of vans that need to be replaced.

Mr. Funkhouser stated twenty (20) vans need to be replaced.

Donna Rose thanked Mr. Funkhouser for his research.

Shanna Draheim echoed Donna Rose's comments.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously except for Dusty Fancher who abstained.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING UNION LABOR AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

PROPOSED MOTION: That this Board meeting go into closed session, pursuant to MCL 15.268(c), for a strategy session in connection with negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement with the Union, ATU, Division 1039, and that following such closed session, this Board meeting return to open session for completion of the Agenda.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Dusty Fancher and supported by Donna Rose to approve going into closed session, pursuant to MCL 15.268(c), for a strategy session in connection with negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement with the Union, ATU, Division 1039, and that following such closed session, this Board meeting return to open session for completion of the Agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE: The motion was supported by all except Doug Lecato who was absent.

The Executive Session began at 3:20 p.m. and adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was no further business, Chair Triplett adjourned meeting at 3:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dusty Fancher
Secretary/Treasurer

Tina Orlando
Recording Secretary