

Minutes

Greater Dayton RTA Board of Trustees Public Board Meeting

October 6, 2020

- Trustees: David P. Williamson, President
John A. Lumpkin, Jr, Vice President
Vince Corrado
Sharon E. Hairston
Adrienne L. Heard
Franz Hoge
Sharon D. Howard
Belinda Matthews-Stenson
Thomas Weckesser
- Staff: Mark Donaghy, Chief Executive Officer
Bob Ruzinsky, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Roland Caldwell, Director of Operations
Christopher Conard, Coolidge Wall, Co., LPA
Cathy Garner, Senior Executive Administrative Assistant
Brandon Policicchio, Chief Customer & Business Development Officer
Mary K. Stanforth, Chief Financial Officer
- Others: Various citizens via teleconference.

Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Williamson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present and proper notice of the meeting had been given. Mr. Williamson stated today's meeting is being conducted in accordance with Sub. HB 197 and the guidelines set forth by the Ohio Department of Health. Due to matters surrounding COVID-19, the meeting is being conducted remotely by teleconference.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Williamson asked Mr. Corrado to lead attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken:

Mr. Corrado	Yes	Mr. Lumpkin	Yes
Ms. Hairston	Yes	Ms. Matthews-Stenson	Yes
Ms. Heard	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Hoge	Yes	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Ms. Howard	Yes		

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Williamson stated Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) By-Laws require Board Trustees approval of today's Board Meeting Agenda. Mr. Williamson stated the Board Agenda was mailed in advance, and asked if there are changes to the Agenda? Upon hearing no requests or corrections, Mr. Williamson DECLARED ACCEPTANCE of today's Board Meeting Agenda.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Williamson asked if anyone requests a reading of the minutes or if there are corrections to the minutes? Upon hearing no requests or corrections, Mr. Williamson DECLARED ACCEPTANCE of the September 1, 2020 Meeting Minutes.

FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT (JOHN LUMPKIN)

Mr. Lumpkin stated the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees held a teleconference meeting on September 15th and as a result the Finance/Personnel Committee is recommending three (3) Action Items for the Board's consideration. All Action Items are essential to the delivery of transportation services to the public.

ACTION ITEM #2 – ON-SITE TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR NEXGEN TROLLEYS

Mr. Lumpkin stated the purpose of this procurement is for RTA to obtain the services of the NexGen trolley manufacturer to provide On-Site Technical Support Services for the NexGens. These services will allow RTA staff to increase their technical capacity and troubleshooting skills for the long-term maintenance and repair of the NexGen Trolley bus fleet. This project is consistent with RTA's core values of Stewardship and Quality Service as we operate our NexGen Trolley bus fleet. These services will be supplied over a two (2) year term.

MOTION MADE by Mr. Lumpkin and SECONDED by Ms. Heard to APPROVE a contract AWARD to Kiepe Electric for a two (2) year period in the estimated amount of \$450,000. Funds for On-Site Technical Support for NexGen are included in the operating budget.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Corrado	Yes	Mr. Lumpkin	Yes
Ms. Hairston	Yes	Ms. Matthews-Stenson	Yes
Ms. Heard	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Hoge	Yes	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Ms. Howard	Yes		

MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

ACTION ITEM #3 – SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM SERVER STORAGE

Mr. Lumpkin stated on May 5, 2020, the Board approved a contract with Security 101 for a Security Camera System in the amount of up to \$1.87 million. The facilities included in this award were the Longworth Campus, Wright Stop Plaza, all transit centers and substations.

This award did not include any specifications for server storage for the video system because RTA did not know how much storage would be needed, and also thought it would be possible to incorporate needed storage into the new server environment being purchased. Once the Security System (Genetec) from Security 101 was selected and the cameras were finalized, the storage could then be calculated.

It was determined that the storage required for the video system is 1,308 terabytes (TB) or 1.3 petabytes (PB). This is approximately 100 times more than the storage on the new server environment, which means the new server environment cannot be used. This project is consistent with RTA's core values of Safety by continuously improving safety for our customers and ourselves and Stewardship by properly managing our resources and maintaining our assets.

MOTION MADE by Mr. Lumpkin and SECONDED by Ms. Hairston to APPROVE an additional contract AWARD to Security 101 for server storage in the amount of \$195,465 increasing the total award to Security 101 for up to

\$2,064,953. This procurement will be partially funded through Federal grant funds.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Corrado	Yes	Mr. Lumpkin	Yes
Ms. Hairston	Yes	Ms. Matthews-Stenson	Yes
Ms. Heard	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Hoge	Yes	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Ms. Howard	Yes		

MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

ACTION ITEM #5 – RESOLUTION NO. 2020-10-1, AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SEEK FAST ACT FLEXIBLE FUNDING TO SUPPORT TRANSIT PROJECTS

Mr. Lumpkin stated RTA has been notified by the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC) regarding the solicitation of new transportation projects under the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Program (STP). Once submitted, applications for the proposed new projects are to be reviewed and evaluated for possible inclusion in the State Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

In reviewing the region’s transportation needs, Staff has developed a project that is eligible for flexible funding, and the proposal has been scrutinized in the context of MVRPC practices and policies. Our project is: The Cost of Buying Twenty Five (25) Small Transit Buses (this is RTA’s only project for this funding solicitation and RTA will provide the required local match funds of \$475,000).

Competition for these funds is expected to be substantial; applications are due on October 8th and require the Board’s approval.

MOTION MADE by Mr. Lumpkin and SECONDED by Ms. Heard to APPROVE Resolution No. 2020-10-1, authorizing the submittal of all necessary documents and the fulfillment of all other requirements, in order to obtain additional funding for projects approved by the MVRPC.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Corrado	Yes	Mr. Lumpkin	Yes
Ms. Hairston	Yes	Ms. Matthews-Stenson	Yes
Ms. Heard	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Hoge	Yes	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Ms. Howard	Yes		

MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Mr. Lumpkin stated at the meeting Ms. Stanforth provided the following financial highlights:

Year-to-date August 2020 indicates a gain of \$6.9 million after the local capital charge. The gain is primarily due to the funding received from the Federal government as part of the CARES Act. RTA will use these funds to subsidize future operations with the loss of revenue we are facing longer term. Without the CARES Act funding we would be showing a loss of \$4.3 million at this point in time.

Sales tax received for June 2020 was up about \$400,000 from last year and current budget. Year-to-date June 2020 receipts are up about \$250,000 from last year and current budget. Sales Tax funding is relatively flat after 6 months of receipts.

PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (SHARON HOWARD)

Ms. Howard stated the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees a teleconference meeting on September 15th and a result the Planning Committee is recommending one (1) Action Item for approval by the Board of Trustees.

ACTION ITEM #4 - 2019 TITLE VI PROGRAM ANALYSIS REPORT

Ms. Howard stated at the meeting Mr. Policicchio explained that as a recipient of U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Transit Administration funding, the RTA must comply with Title VI and Environmental Justice regulations. This is to ensure RTA provides fair and equitable service and amenities delivery and installation, meaningful customer outreach plans, and periodic service equity review processes. While RTA is in compliance with the FTA Title VI program through November 30, 2021 it is required that RTA Board of Trustees review and approve the 2019 Title VI Analysis Report since the last submission on October 1, 2018.

MOTION MADE by Ms. Howard and SECONDED by Ms. Heard to APPROVE the 2019 Title VI Analysis Report, and update this report on the TEAM FTA website.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Corrado	Yes	Mr. Lumpkin	Yes
Ms. Hairston	Yes	Ms. Matthews-Stenson	Yes
Ms. Heard	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Hoge	Yes	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Ms. Howard	Yes		

MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

PLANNING UPDATES:

Ms. Howard stated at the meeting Mr. Policicchio provided a summary document of recent activities in the Customer & Business Development Department.

Mr. Policicchio shared that Tapp Pay, RTA's new fare payment system has seen exceptional growth over the past few months. In August, Tapp Pay exceeded \$100,000 in sales revenue and surpassed 3,300 customers who signed up for the app. In addition, results from the American Bus Benchmarking Group (ABBG) 2020 Customer Satisfaction Survey were reported. Mr. Policicchio summarized the Service Quality, Overall Satisfaction and Demographic Data survey results.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Donaghy stated he had no further comments to make other than what he had already communicated in the Board Packet.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS
- ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Williamson requested to lead off this part of the meeting with personal comments expressed by himself. Mr. Williamson stated he has served on many different Boards so he can speak from experience in stating that every member of the Board of Trustees of the Greater Dayton RTA is a working Board Member. Mr. Williamson stated in his view there are no honorary Board positions. To some an additional and exceptionable task includes serving as President of the Board of Trustees. To serve as the President on the Board of Trustees means to carry ones heart, mind, the work and welfare of the entire organization. Ms. Sharon Hairston has made this free hearted gift of service for not one however two terms! During her tenure the Greater Dayton RTA has faced extraordinary challenges, not the least has been to steer the Board through the largest health crisis throughout our Nation in any of our lifetimes. The devastation rocked by tornadoes that tested our resolve to keep the buses running, a horrific mass shooting and the public protest related to the death of Mr. George Floyd.

The public may not fully appreciate how every one of these events affected the Greater Dayton RTA and its mission to provide continuing transportation services to the citizens of Montgomery County, however, all on this teleconference do. Mr. Williamson stated that he also appreciates how Ms. Hairston kept a firm hand on the wheel during all of it. Ms. Hairston was the first to christen the Flyer, in what we hoped would be a game changer in Downtown Dayton and our Community. Mr. Williamson stated all of this was done on Ms. Hairston's watch while upgrading a fleet that rivals any in our Nation. Mr. Williamson stated that he had the personal privilege of working alongside her and appreciating her wisdom, her practical approach to problem solving, her sense of humor and making everyone feel a part of the Greater Dayton RTA Team. Mr. Williamson further commented that his job will be all that easier with two past presidents Ms. Hairston and Ms. Adrienne Heard that continue to serve on the Board. Madam President on behalf of the Board, the Executive Team and the Staff at Greater Dayton RTA and the Citizens of Montgomery County, A GRATEFUL THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Ms. Hairston stated Thank You for your support while serving as President on the Board. In addition, Thank you Mr. Donaghy!

Mr. Williamson stated Board Trustees would give you a big hug, however, situations due to COVID prevent that from occurring, therefore, they are sending you virtual hugs.

Mr. Lumpkin congratulated Ms. Hairston on being a great leader especially during some of the difficult times and challenges that have occurred.

Mr. Corrado stated since he is the only one on video he wanted everyone to see that he was giving Ms. Hairston a big hug. Mr. Corrado stated that he was very appreciative of all of the time that Ms. Hairston contributed to the Board and various committees. You did a wonderful job!

Mr. Hoge echoed everything that had been previously stated regarding Ms. Hairston. Mr. Hoge congratulated the incoming new leadership.

Ms. Howard thanked Ms. Hairston for her service and wanted to publicly thank Ms. Hairston for representing “all of the Sharons”, in the community.

Ms. Matthews-Stenson thanked Ms. Hairston for her leadership and congratulated Mr. Williamson and Mr. Lumpkin on their appointments to President and Vice President.

Mr. Weckesser thanked Ms. Hairston for her service to the RTA Board and congratulated Mr. Williamson and Mr. Lumpkin on their recent appointments.

Ms. Hairston thanked everyone for their kind words and added that no one is successful with the assistance from everyone doing their part. Ms. Hairston stated that she is extremely appreciative of all the support she has received over the years and the guidance received by those preceding her in becoming RTA’s Board President. Ms. Hairston especially wanted to thank Ms. Adrienne Heard for her support.

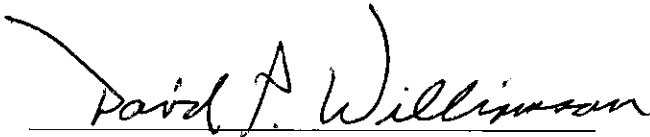
Mr. Williamson mentioned upcoming RTA meetings:

- Jointly Held Finance/Personnel & Planning – October 20, 2020 – 8:30 a.m.
- Board Meeting – November 10, 2020 – 3:00 p.m.

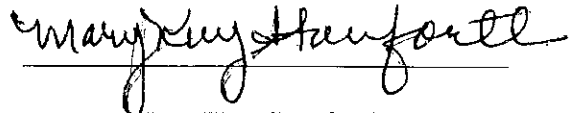
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Williamson DECLARED the meeting ADJOURNED at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST



David P. Williamson
President
RTA Board of Trustees



Mary Kay Stanforth
Secretary/Treasurer
RTA Board of Trustees

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