

REGULAR BOARD MEETING - BLOOMINGTON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION (BPTC) AUGUST 25, 2015, 5:30 P.M.

In the Edward J. Kuntz Board Room of the Bloomington Transit Operating Facility, 130 W. Grimes Lane, Vice Chairman McDaniel convened the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bloomington Public Transportation Corporation.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present: Chairman Obermeyer, Vice Chairman McDaniel, Secretary Hasler, and Board Member McLary. Also present were Lewis May, General Manager, Christa Browning, Controller, and Brenda Underwood, Human Resource/Marketing Administrator and there were no members of the public present.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

There were no petitions and communications on non-action items.

MESSAGES FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Vice Chairman McDaniel noted Board Member McLary did a good job with his ADA presentation at the ITA Annual Meeting and appreciated his willingness to present on this topic.

MESSAGES FROM THE MANAGER

Mr. May noted he presented our proposed 2016 budget to the City Council. He said we got a unanimous 8-0-1 decision in favor of our budget. He said the only one abstention was from Council Member Volan and it wasn't because he was against our budget. Mr. May noted that Council Member Volan abstained on all City department budgets without explanation at our meeting. He said most of our questions came from Council Member Volan but a few from some of the other members. He said Council Member Volan wanted to know where things stood with the IU merger. Mr. May explained that the PMTF formula has changed and is no longer as performance driven as it was. Mr. May stated that he continues to advocate with IU for unification due to the Federal funding incentive which add several hundred thousand dollars annually for transit in the community. He said he explained to the council how IU's governmental relations staff has expressed concern about the effect of winning state transit funding could have on their efforts to win educational/academic funding where they have many more millions of dollars at stake. He said Mr. Volan asked why not have a dedicated capital reserve fund. He explained that we have a single reserve fund that can be used for either operating or capital purposes. He explained that if we developed a capital reserve fund any dollars placed into such a reserve could not be used for operating purposes such as sudden or unexpected fuel cost increases or unexpected increases in employee health insurance. He emphasized that we like the flexibility of having a single reserve fund that can be used for either purpose. Mr. May said Mr. Volan asked what the possibility of getting the airport shuttles to use

our new downtown transit center. He explained that we have offered both shuttle companies reasonable terms for using our downtown transit center and both have not taken us up on our offer. Mr. May was asked by Council Member Spechler if it was possible for taxis to use the downtown transit center. Mr. May explained that taxis can pick-up or drop-off on 3rd Street in the marked fire lane in front of the building. He said the question was asked by Mr. Spechler if custom phones could be added to the downtown transit center where someone could call for a taxi. He responded that we would be glad to consider the possibility of having the taxi systems install their own phones. Mr. May summarized that the budget presentation to the City Council went well and that we go back to Council on September 30 and October 14 for final consideration and approval of our budget.

Mr. May said our demolition contractor began demolition of the 4th and Washington building last week. He said as of today the building has been completely removed. He said there is a proposed change order that would provide topsoil, grass seed and straw as a cover in the area of the footprint of the building. He said the contractor has estimated the cost \$1,725. He noted on the agenda is Resolution 15-15; a resolution approving Change Order #1 with Neidigh Construction Corporation in the total amount of \$1,725.00 for changes to the project scope of work for the demolition of the 4th and Washington passenger facility for the Board's consideration.

Mr. May said we have taken delivery of two new BT Access vehicles that were delivered to us a week ago. He said these vehicles are cutaway type vehicles that provide more interior room for wheelchairs and passengers. He said they have a seating capacity of six passengers plus two wheelchairs. He said they also have a front stepwell and a Braun wheelchair lift located between the front and rear axles. He noted the cost for each of these vehicles was \$54,428. Mr. May encouraged the Board to view one of the new vehicles after the meeting and compare it to a newer modified van.

Mr. May gave an overview of July ridership noting that July 2015 fixed route ridership was up 1.43 percent compared to July 2014. He said year-to-date fixed route ridership is down 2.63 percent compared to the same period last year. Mr. May noted BT Access ridership was up 23.19 percent in July 2015 compared to July 2014. He said the year-to-date BT Access ridership is up 20.27 percent compared to the same period last year.

Mr. May said he provided a new feature on the Monthly Statistics and Performance Indicators report is passengers per revenue mile and hour data so that the Board can see how both fixed route and BT Access performs on a month-to-month basis. He said typically fixed route service averages about 34 passengers per revenue hour and 3.25 passengers per revenue mile. He said BT Access service averages about 2.1 passengers per revenue hour and about 0.23 passengers per revenue mile.

MESSAGES FROM THE CONTROLLER

There were no messages from Controller Browning.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ACTION ITEMS

There were no comments from the public.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

Under New Business, Board Member McLary moved to approve Resolution 15-15; a resolution approving Change Order #1 with Neidigh Construction Corporation in the total amount of \$1,725.00 for changes to the project scope of work for the demolition of the 4th and Washington passenger facility. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman McDaniel. Resolution 15-15 was approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

MINUTES

The minutes for August 11, 2015 were presented for approval by Secretary Hasler and seconded by Board Member McLary. The minutes were approved by all Board Members with the exception of Vice Chairman McDaniel who abstained.

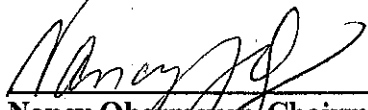
CLAIMS

The claims for August 25, 2015 were presented for approval by Secretary Hasler and seconded by Board Member McLary. The claims were approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT


APPROVE:

ATTEST:



Nancy Obermeyer, Chairman
Board of Directors BPTC

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Gloria Hasler, Secretary
Board of Directors BPTC

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