

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT
July 26, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at MetroLINK’s Administrative Office at 1515 River Drive in Moline, IL at 12:30 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
Theresa Appleman – East Moline
Melinda Thorngren – Silvis
Sam McCullum – Moline

Trustees Absent/Excused

Others Present

Jennifer Hirsch – Manager of Administration
Brad Begyn – Manager of Operations and Maintenance
Colleen Kasbohm – Comptroller
Eric Crane – IT Specialist
Lucie VanHecke – Project Administrator
Ben Castro – Transportation Planner
Shilo Purdy – Quality Assurance Supervisor
Mitch Pannell – Assistant Director of Operations
Jeanette Amidon - Program Coordinator
Diana Armstrong – Accounts Receivable
Tearani McDonald – Recording Secretary
Roger Strandlund – MetroLINK Legal Counsel

Public with Business Before the Board

None

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee McCullum seconding, that the Minutes of the July 12, 2023 board meeting be approved. There being no discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A vote was taken showing all Trustees present voting “Aye”, and the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

June 2023 Financial Statement

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee McCullum seconding, that the June 2023 Financial Statement be approved. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A vote was taken showing all Trustees voting “Aye”, Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

June 2023 Invoices

Quad City Garage Policy Group

Trustee McCullum made a motion, with Trustee Appleman seconding, that the June 2023 Quad City Garage Policy Group invoices be approved for payment. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

MetroLINK

Trustee Appleman made a motion, with Trustee McCullum seconding, that the June 2023 MetroLINK invoices be approved for payment. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A roll call vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

Communications

None

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

Ridership Report

Trustee McCullum made a motion, with Trustee Thorngren seconding, to approve the June 2023 Ridership Report. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

Maintenance Report

Trustee Krouth made a motion, with Trustee McCullum seconding, to approve the June 2023 Maintenance Report. After discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. A vote was taken showing all Trustees voting "Aye", Chairperson Tyler-Jamison declared the motion carried.

CEO/Managing Director's Report

Ms. Hirsch reported that due to Wapsi Archeology conducting research activities at the Village of East Davenport the dock will be closed to Channel Cat riders. RFP's for EV chargers are due July 31st. Ms. Hirsch informed the board that staff will be attending City Council meetings in East Moline, Moline, and Rock Island during the month of August to brief council members on our EV project and approve MOU's between their respective cities and MetroLINK. WQAD covered a story on the Channel Cat Water Taxi that will be airing this week. Ms. Hirsch reported on Channel Cat activities and ridership. MetroLINK's Operations department is preparing for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. The IDOT transit team visited last week and discussed MetroLINK initiatives and current IDOT projects.

Ben Castro presented his award winning "Food Desert" project to the Board. Ben's project placed 4th in an Introducing Youth to American Infrastructure (IYAI) competition.

Old Business

Personnel

None

New Business

Paratransit Software Award Recommendation

Trustee Thorngren made a motion, with Trustee McCullum seconding, to award a contract to Via Transportation Inc. for Paratransit equipment, software and services related to the paratransit, STS and microtransit software upgrade project at a cost of up to 306,080 for a three-year contract with two option years at a cost of \$88,800 per year. Any additional vehicles will incur one time equipment costs of \$570 per vehicle. There being no discussion, the Chairperson called for a vote. All Trustees voting "Aye", the Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Other Business

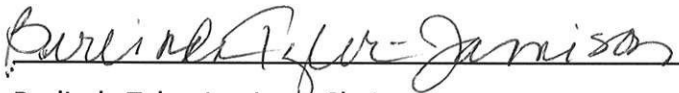
The Board received a Decennial Committee schedule which highlights the meetings for the committee.

Adjourn

At 1:53 p.m. Chairman Tyler-Jamison entertained a motion to adjourn. Trustee Krouth made the motion to adjourn and the Chairman declared the motion carried.



Tearani McDonald, Recording Secretary



Berlinda Tyler-Jamison, Chairman



Theresa Appleman, Secretary/Treasurer