

**Marquette County Transit Authority
1325 Commerce Drive Marquette, MI 49855**

Board Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2021 (via ZOOM)

Call to Order: 6:00PM by Chairman Nankervis

Roll Call:

Present: Bosio , Boyd (via Zoom), DeGroot, Etelemaki, Kasper , Klipp, LaRue, Nankervis, Tollefson, Wallner.

Others present: Klein Director, Geller Finance, Hodges and Richer Operations/ Maintenance Supervisors. Paul Nardi representing Makela, Toutant, Hill, Nardi, and Katona P.C.

Absent: Krah with excused absence.

Minutes:

Motion made by Bosio to approve the Minutes of March 18, 2021 Regular Meeting. Supported by LaRue. Unanimously approved via roll call: Bosio yes, Boyd yes, DeGroot yes, Etelemaki yes, Kasper yes, Klipp yes, LaRue yes, Nankervis yes, Tollefson yes, Wallner yes.

Consent Agenda :

Motion was made to accept Agenda items A-D by Tollefson. Wallner supported. Unanimously approved via roll call: Bosio yes, Boyd yes, DeGroot yes, Etelemaki yes, Kasper yes, Klipp yes, LaRue yes, Nankervis yes, Tollefson yes, Wallner yes.

Agenda:

Bosio motioned to approve the Agenda, with the addition of a Personnel Committee report. DeGroot supported. Unanimously approved via roll call vote: Bosio yes, Boyd yes, DeGroot yes, Etelemaki yes, Kasper yes, Klipp yes, LaRue yes, Nankervis yes, Tollefson yes, Wallner yes.

Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:

None.

New Business:

1) **Report from Finance Committee, Audit FY 2020:** Was delivered by Paul Nardi with clean reports on all audit topics. And also gave an entire overview of the finances. Ultimately Bosio motioned to accept the Financial Report. LaRue supported. Unanimously approved via roll call vote: Bosio yes, Boyd yes, DeGroot yes, Etelemaki yes, Kasper yes, Klipp yes, LaRue yes, Nankervis yes, Tollefson yes, Wallner yes.

2) **Personnel Committee Update:** Was given by DeGroot. DeGroot reported on all events regarding the search for a future Executive Director. Including updates on the search, steps to advertise on various websites. And presented a timeline for the search, which was part of a packet that was distributed for review of the Executive Director search.

DeGroot gave a proposal to have MTPA screen candidates prior to further reviews, regarding the search for a new Executive Director. Then reviewed by the Personnel Committee. Ultimately the full Board would review and interview the candidates. A Personnel Committee meeting was scheduled for 4/29/2021 @ 6:00 PM to review the Employee Handbook.

3) **MERS, Defined Contribution Plan:** Motion was made by Klipp to close the Defined Contribution Plan with MERS, as recommended by Klein. Etelemaki supported. Unanimously approved via roll call vote: Bosio yes, Boyd yes, DeGroot yes, Etelemaki yes, Kasper yes, Klipp yes, LaRue yes, Nankervis yes, Tollefson yes, Wallner yes.

Any Old or New Business:

Klein read the Executive Director's Report. Updates were given on Procurements in action. Updates as the status of Covid and immunizations were also given. And Klein stated her intended date of retirement to be 2/4/2022.

Board Members Comments:

DeGroot mentioned items for review next Finance Committee Meeting.

Klipp mentioned future talks of Transit with the City Commission. And consolidation of services to the Warming Shelter.

Tollefson inquired about selection of Auditors in the future. And other Financial matters.

Wallner addressed the future route improvements regarding the Negaunee Shuttle.

Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:

None.

Adjournment:

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Wallner. Etelemaki supported.

Unanimously approved via roll call vote: Bosio yes, Boyd yes, DeGroot yes, Etelemaki yes, Kasper yes, Klipp yes, LaRue yes, Nankervis yes, Tollefson yes, Wallner yes.

Chairman Nankervis adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PM.

Sincerely,

Kevin W. Hodges
Operations Manager