

Marquette County Transit Authority
1325 Commerce Drive Marquette, MI 49855
Board Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2021 (via ZOOM and in person)
Call to Order: 6:00PM by Chairman Nankervis

Roll Call:

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

Others present: Klein Director, Geller Finance, Richer and Hodges Operations/
Maintenance Supervisor.

Minutes:

Motion made by Wallner to approve the Minutes of June 16'th, 2021 Regular Meeting. Supported by LaRue. Unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda :

Motion was made to accept Agenda items A-D by Tollefson. Klipp supported. Unanimously approved.

Agenda:

Wallner motioned to approve the Agenda. LaRue Supported. Unanimously approved.

Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:

None.

During which Chairman Nankervis mentioned communications letter from Pete Stephens-Brown thanking The Board for the interview.

New Business:

- 1) Wallner motioned to enter into closed session to discuss Executive Director hiring process. Supported by LaRue. Unanimously approved via roll call vote.

Closed Session entered @ 6:15 PM.

Return to Open Session @ 7:05 PM.

- 2) Executive Director Position recommendation: Motion was made by DeGroot to empower the Chair and Vice Chair to enter into negotiations with William Geller. Once successful, a special board meeting will be called so the full board can review the final agreement. Motion was supported by Krah. Unanimously approved via roll call vote.
- 3) Report from the Finance Committee: Was given by Bosio, with no decisions made on salary package.
- 4) MERS Annual Actuarial Valuation Report-Information: Was given by Klein. Tollefson suggested considering another contribution be made to MERS surplus account. Item to be addressed at a future Finance Committee meeting.

Any Old or New Business:

Klein read the Executive Director's Report. Giving updates on various meetings with Marquette committees. Also gave updates on the hiring process of new Drivers. And answered questions by Klipp and DeGroot on the same topic.

Board Members Comments:

LaRue raised questions as to expansion of Downtown Marquette services.

Tollefson inquired as to services offered to NMU.

Kasper inquired about fixed route service return.

Boyd inquired about issues experienced with the newest bus purchases. And inquired about moving Board Meetings in Summer months. Klipp motioned to

move August meeting date to August 23'rd. Tollefson supported. Unanimously approved.

Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:

None.

Adjournment:

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bosio. DeGroot supported.

Unanimously approved.

Chairman Nankervis adjourned the meeting at 7:29 PM.

Sincerely,

Kevin W. Hodges
Operations Manager