

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

Board Meeting Minutes of November 10, 2022.

Call to Order: 6:00 PM by Chairman James Nankervis.

Roll Call:

Present: Jim Nankervis, Tony Tollefson, David Boyd, Bill DeGroot, Jason Wallner, Pete LaRue, Scott Krah, Dawn Schuhknecht, Karen Kasper.

Others Present: Bill Geller-Executive Director, Kristine McDonnell-Finance Officer, Mike Richer-Operations Manager.

Excused or Absent: Taylor Klipp, Kevin Hodges-Operations Manager.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Tony Tollefson to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2022 meeting. Supported by Jason Wallner. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Motion was made to accept Agenda items A-D by Tony Tollefson. Supported by Scott Krah. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Agenda:

Motion was made by Jason Wallner to approve agenda with the additions under action items #1 Presentation from Matt Coron- Building Maintenance Foreman and Mechanic. #4 Executive Director salary increase recommendation. Supported by Pete La Rue. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Opportunity for Citizens to Address the Authority: Joanna Mitchell inquired about the free rides to vote. Did it work out well? It was explained that we do not know the exact numbers yet.

Action Items:

- 1) Presentation given by Matt Coron-Building Maintenance Foreman and Mechanic about his position and what work it entails. Questions were asked of him by Board Members.
- 2) Report given by Bill DeGroot for the Finance committee. All reports were reviewed by the committee everything was in order. The committee proposed to the Board that the Executive Directors raise be in the range of 5 to 7%. Motion made by Jason Wallner to

accept the Finance report. Seconded by Pete La Rue. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

3) Report from the Personnel Committee was presented. The Executive Directors evaluations were discussed. The Executive Director scored above average in all the categories. Motion made by Dawn Schuhknecht to accept the Personnel Committee report. Seconded by Scott Krah. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

4) Executive Directors salary increase. The Executive Director presented a list of goals to the Board. He explained and expanded on each one. Discussion was held on what the percentage of a salary increase would be for the Executive Director. Motion made by David Boyd to give a 6.75% salary increase in the next pay period. Supported by Dawn Schuhknecht. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Any Old or New Business:

1) Bill Geller presented the Executive Director's report.

Upcoming meetings:

Personnel meeting December 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Board meeting December 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Board Members Comments:

Scott Krah said good job Bill.

Dawn Schuknecht told Bill she appreciates all his hard work.

Karen Kasper indicated the Fat-Ish bike race is to be held on January 14, 2023. The Polar Roll is held on February 18, 2023 and the Friday after Thanksgiving parade will affect bus routes. She also asked if Door to Door services are going to be offered on Thanksgiving. She was informed yes. She wants the board to be informed when meeting dates are changed. The City of Ishpeming recommends members to the Board of Marquette County Transit Authority.

Jason Wallner informed that the County appoints members to the Board of Marquette County Transit Authority. He asked if there was going to be any Feeding America events at Marq-tran. The city of Negaunee is having Tinseltown 2022 on December 10, 2022 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. He also discussed some road improvements going on in Negaunee and maybe hold off on that route starting up. Mike Richer indicated that tentatively doing something in December is the current plan.

Pete La Rue stated that Marquette Township is hosting the lighting of the Christmas tree and other activities on November 22, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the Westwood Mall.

David Boyd would like the public to be more informed about Marq-Tran.

Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority: None

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Jason Wallner to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Dawn Schuhknecht. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Chairman Jim Nankervis adjourned the meeting at 6:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristine McDonnell
Finance Officer