

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

**Board Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2023**

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

**Roll Call:**

Present: Tony Tollefson, Pete LaRue, Karen Kasper, Barb Owdziej, Ed Anderson, James Nankervis, Taylor Klipp, Bill DeGroot, Scott Krah,

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

Excused or Absent: Mike Richer-Operations Manager, Janet Cobb-Administrative Assistant, Jason Wallner, Dawn Schuhknecht.

**Minutes:**

Motion was made by Karen Kasper to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2023 meeting. Supported by Taylor Klipp. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:**

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

**Agenda:**

Motion was made by Barb Owdziej to approve agenda with the addition under number 2 the addition of Marq-Tran as a board to have a strategic plan. Supported by Karen Kasper. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

**Opportunity for Citizens to Address the Authority:** None.

**Action Items:**

1. The Building Committee Report was presented by Pete LaRue. Motion made by Bill DeGroot to accept the Building Committee report. Supported by Taylor Klipp. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.
2. Report for Personnel Committee given by Bill DeGroot. Motion made by Scott Krah to accept the Personnel Committee Report. Supported by Ed Anderson. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.
3. Report from the Negotiations Committee presented by Bill DeGroot. Motion made by Tony Tollefson to accept the Negotiations Committee report. Supported by Ed Anderson. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

**Any Old or New Business:**

1. Bill Geller presented the Executive Director's report. Discussion was held about Michigan Mobility Wallet Challenge.
2. Commercial has been completed for WZMQ 19.
3. 4 decommissioned buses are being auctioned off.

**Upcoming meetings:**

Board meeting October, 19 at 6:00 PM.

**Board Member Comments:**

*Bill DeGroot* stated he is glad to see riding numbers increasing.

*Karen Kasper* said to remind drivers who smoke need to move farther away from the bus entrance at the next Safety Meeting.

*Tony Tollefson* saw a Marq-Tran ticket sign at Super One Foods. Asked who our other ticket outlets are.

*Kevin Hodges* Indicated that the Building Committee reports will be taken care of.

*Bill Geller* was contacted by the Soo Tribe about a survey. Janet brought the survey to senior living, nursing homes and our ticket outlets.

*James Nankervis* stated he will not be at the next board meeting.

**Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:** None.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Taylor Klipp to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Bill DeGroot. Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

Chairman James Nankervis adjourned the meeting at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristine McDonnell  
Finance Officer