COMBINED MEETING OF THE JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD (TRANSIT BOARD) AND THE ST LOUIS ITHACA PINE RIVER TRANSIT AUTHORITY (SLIPR) COUNTY OF GRATIOT, STATE OF MICHIGAN

REGULAR MEETING

The regular combined meeting of the Joint Administrative Board (Transit Board) and St. Louis Ithaca Pine River Transit Authority (SLIPR) Board was called to order by Kurt Giles on Monday, March 14, 2022, at 11:30am. Meeting was held in person at the St. Louis City Hall.

Note: Actions that are specific to the St. Louis Ithaca Pine River Transit Authority (SLIPR) Board will be specifically indicated as SLIPR business and will only include the Roll as applicable to the SLIPR membership.

Members Present:

- Kurt Giles St Louis City Manager/SLIPR Member Board Chairperson
- Kevin Beeson Pine River Township Supervisor/SLIPR Member Board Secretary
- Jamey Conn Ithaca City Manager/SLIPR Member
- Jennifer Cook Member At Large
- Audra Stahl Alma City Commissioner

Members Absent: None Others in Attendance:

- Brett Baublitz Director Alma Transit Center (ATC)
- Bobbie Marr Recording Secretary
- Marilyn Carey Transit Accountant

Approval of SLIPR Minutes

Motion by Member Conn, supported by Member Giles, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2021, Special Meeting as presented.

Yes: Conn, Giles, Beeson

No: None Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Member Beeson, supported by Member Conn, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2021, Special Meeting as presented.

Yes: Beeson, Conn, Cook, Stahl, Giles

No: None Motion carried.

Note regarding December Meeting

Because the scheduled meeting for December 13, 2021 was moved to December 6, 2021 and was not properly posted it was considered an informational session and no actions took place.

SLIPR Organizational Business - Chairperson & Secretary Appointments.

Motion by Member Conn, supported by Member Beeson to appoint Kurt Giles as Chairperson and Kevin Beeson as Secretary.

Yes: Conn, Beeson, Giles

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No: None Motion carried.

Joint Admin Board Appointment of Chairperson & Secretary.

Motion by Member Stahl, supported by Member Cook to appoint Kurt Giles as Chairperson and Kevin Beeson as Secretary.

Yes: Stahl, Cook, Conn, Beeson, Giles

No: None Motion carried.

SLIPR Business – Set Public Hearing

Motion by Member Beeson, supported by Member Conn for a Special Meeting date and Set Public Hearing for Adoption of 2022-2023 Budget on April 11, 2022, at 11:00AM. Meeting place will be St. Louis City Hall.

Yes: Beeson, Conn, Giles

No: None Motion carried.

Review Monthly Ridership Reports and operations discussion.

ATC Director, Brett Baublitz, reviewed and discussed:

- Quarterly ridership data
- Receipt of grant award for new building construction is expected to be at \$3.5 million
- Received task force grant of \$100,000 which will be used to replace on-board tablets. However there are some problems with the programs currently so seeking another product for software.
- Discussed Advertising campaign on use of the transit system. Increasing awareness of availability, more utilization of social media, scheduling general appointment times with health care offices, window cling signage.
- Looking into Ballot proposal for County Wide Transit. Hoping for August 2023.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Member Conn motioned for adjournment, supported by Member Beeson. There were no objections. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25PM.

Bobbie Marr, Recording Secretary