

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD FOR TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
August 18, 2008**

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Present:

Delores Lysakowski, Chairperson  
Richie Meile, Trustee  
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee  
Mike Sager, Trustee  
Bill Grogan, Managing Director  
Grey Chatham, Attorney  
John Roach, Consultant  
Neil Huegen, District Associate  
Jerry Heil, Director of Scheduling and Planning  
Mike Bauer, District Transit Manager  
Eddie Bauer, District Transit Manger  
Karen Kozal, Metro  
Mike Dilks, Metro  
Tom Spurgeon, Metro  
Taulby Roach, Consultant

Absent:

Frank Bergman, Trustee  
Tom Sehr, Metro

After a 5:00 PM tour of the newly renovated Illinois facility, Chairperson Lysakowski introduced the special guests and called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

A motion was made by Lonnie Mosley, and seconded by Mike Sager, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 16th, 2008. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

Under Incoming Communications, two topics were discussed. Guest Taulby Roach, who is a consultant to the Transit District, reported on current issues regarding the Bike Trail project currently underway in St. Clair County. Mr. Roach recommended that the board grant the chairperson the authority to execute any contracts with the firm of *Thouvenot, Wade, & Moerchen*, regarding the development of the Bike Trail, as well as, the purchase of any land parcels in the Swansea area needed to complete the project. The motion to grant the chairperson the authority to execute any contracts was made by Lonnie Mosley, and seconded by Richie Meile, and was passed in a unanimous voice vote.

Under Financial Matters, the Chairperson distributed the proposed budget for fiscal year 2009. Upon the Board's review of the budget, Mike Sager made a motion to approve the proposed budget and Lonnie Mosley seconded the motion. The motion passed in a unanimous voice vote.

Under old business, the Chairperson discussed the current level of success that the Special Service Routes are experiencing. There have been no problems and there have been strong ridership counts, with the exception of the Gateway Racetrack services. The chairperson stated that there will be deliberation as to whether the District should continue to provide racetrack service for the upcoming race seasons. Also, the SCCTD is officially issuing the Senior ID cards at multiple locations, and the process is moving forward without complications.

Under new business, the Chairperson also pointed out that the Rams Express is underway once again as well as the Air Show coming up in September, neither of which has shown any unexpected complications or problems thus far. Also, the Transit District Office in O'Fallon, IL, has expanded its office in response to a dire need for more space.

Managing Director, Bill Grogan, gave a report on the progress of the Fairview Heights Pocket Track. Mr. Grogan stated that the new section of track is still on schedule and set to open on October 27<sup>th</sup>. The Managing Director also attended his tri-annual Safety Review put on by the NTSB.

Director Grogan also proposed that the Transit District enter into contract with David Wagner and William Lipinski, as a consultant and lobbyist, respectively. The motion to grant the chairperson the authority to execute these contracts was made by Lonnie Mosley and seconded by Richie Meile. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

Director of Marketing and Scheduling Jerry Heil reported that the scheduling of the upcoming service increase is underway and proceeding without complication.

Consultant John Roach reported that the Transit District has successfully negotiated a new lending agreement with the Bank of O'Fallon which solves the District's current Bond Issue. Lonnie Mosley made the motion to give the chairperson the authority to execute the documents pertaining to the refinancing of the District's bond issues. The motion was seconded by Mike Sager, and the motion passed unanimously in a voice vote. A motion was made and seconded to adopt Resolution FY '09-01 which is attached hereto.

Karen Kozal reported that the upcoming service increase will increase personnel at the Illinois facility by fifteen drivers.

Tom Spurgeon took the opportunity to thank the Board for touring the Illinois Facility and taking the time to see the results of their efforts.

A motion was made by Richie Meile, and seconded by Lonnie Mosley, to adjourn the meeting until the next regular meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>, which will take place at the regular meeting room in the St. Clair County Courthouse. The motion passed in a unanimous voice vote.