

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
February 20, 2018**

Present:

Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
Richie Meile, Chairman
Herb Simmons, Trustee
Ken Sharkey, Managing Director
Taulby Roach, Development Programming Associates
John Baricevic, Attorney
Lt Michael Hundelt – St. Clair County Sheriff Department
Lt. John Blaskiewicz – St Louis City P.D.
Major Richard Wagner – St. Clair County Sheriff Department
Major Thomas Knapp – St. Clair County Sheriff Department
Sheriff Rick Watson – St Clair County Sheriff Department
Chairman Mark Kern – St. Clair County
Sheila Kimlinger – Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc
Mark Schlinkmann – St. Louis Post-Dispatch
Hollie Etling - SCCTD
Tony Erwin, SCCTD

Absent:

Mike Sullivan, Vic-Chairperson
Walter Jackson, Metro

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Meile, at exactly 4:00 pm.

Introduction of Guests: Chairman Meile opened the meeting by having everyone in the room introduce themselves. All present attendees listed above.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Herb Simmons and seconded by Lonnie Mosley to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2018 Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

Incoming Claims:

- Sheriff Watson was given the floor to discuss the security issues on the MetroLink. He advised the group he has prepared a Proposal to provide security from the SAFB Station to the Delmar Loop Station and has discussed and presented to the City of St Louis for their review and comment. He expressed that it is very important that SCC provides security for this area due to most of the ridership from the Illinois side rides these limits. Sheriff Watson advised he is looking forward to teaming up with the City of St Louis, because both sides have much to gain by improving the security for our riders on the MetroLink. Sheriff Watson went on to say he would like approval from the Board to Finalize the proposal with Lt Blaskiewicz. Sheriff Watson opened the topic for discussion.
- Lt. Blaskiewicz presented some statistics that in 2016 the City had 63 incidents reported on the MetroLink and in 2017 it has grown to 126. He advised he is very confident with the assistance from the SCC Sheriff's Department it will provide enough visibility these crime numbers will be cut. Sheriff Watson responded that visibility is key and if the small issues are resolved the big issues will solve themselves. Communication is important and by working together, especially patrolling in St Louis because our Illinois residents want to go into the City.

- Chairman Meile asked the Sheriff Watson how his officers felt going into the City and he replied it was not a problem. If we cleanup the ridership in St Louis we will increase the ridership in Illinois. Attorney Baricevic asked is there a cost to provide communication between the City and SCC and Sheriff Watson said no.
- Lt Hundelt advised regarding vehicles SCC using for the Metro Security they are on a 3 year plan to replace them. This is due to they all have over 100,000 miles on them. He said he would replace 2 cars each year until the entire fleet is replaced.
- Baricevic ask regarding the cameras in the parking lots. Lt Hundelt advised they are the responsibility of Metro, but he does welcome more cameras. Baricevic he has reviewed the Cooperation Agreement between the City and SCC and it only provides security in St Louis at the platforms and nearby areas. St Louis will honor arrest made by SCC officer on the St Louis side. Both the City of St Louis and the Circuit Attorney are on board with the plan. Watson advised secure the City and it will help the entire line. Watson went on to say we will continue to have more meetings with Jon Nations, City of St Louis, St Louis County and St Clair County to get a final agreement finalized. Radio channels is an issue due to St Louis County, but we are working on it. St Louis County will have to secure a portion of the rail and St Louis City and the St Clair County will cover the remaining portion. The City and SCC are anxious to make this work to better the security for our patrons.
- Major Knapp expressed concerns regarding workman's comp for the City and SCC and are the dollars within budget? Lt Hundelt advised that the SCC officers would be covered whether they are on the Illinois side or the Missouri side. They are doing their job as directed. Sheriff Watson advised there is a need to hire 3 more deputies and could move on the hiring ASAP if the Board would approve. Attorney Baricevic advised the Board to accept the proposal in order at a minimum to move forward on this side of the river.
- Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to approve the proposal as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays

Reports:

- Ken Sharkey
 - Advised the Board the SCCTD borrowed a vehicle to SCCSD for their use until replacements can be obtained.
 - Met with SCCTD Health insurance provider and we were able to save the over 100K in cost with the new policy in 2018 compared to 2017.
 - SCCTD is currently working on preparing and obtaining proposal for the ATS Camera Systems for the bus fleet.
 - Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to accept the report as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays

Supplemental Report:

1. Taulby Roach advised the SCCTD needs to move forward with the Bistate Development Agency Capital Close Out as soon as possible or we could lose our funding.
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to accept the report as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays
2. Taulby Roach presented that the Urban Land Development needs approval and SCCTD pays a total of \$2,500.00 for their portion of the application.
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to approve and submit payment as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays
3. Taulby Roach presented the MOU for Board approval. Advised to move forward to keep the agreement process moving.
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to accept the MOU as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays

4. TWM and SCI agreements were presented for General Work and GIS Mapping. It was recommended by the Staff to approve the agreements as presented.
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to accept the Agreements as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays
5. Shuttle bus schedule was presented for the Belleville Art on the Square Event to authorize bus service from May 18th thru May 20th.
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to accept and approve the buses for the event for the dates submitted. 3 ayes – 0 nays
6. Ken Sharkey presented the current St Clair County holiday schedule for 2018. The request is the Board approve and adopt the current schedule and follow the County's schedule for years following.
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to accept and approve the buses for the event for the dates submitted. 3 ayes – 0 nays
7. Day at the Ball Park is Scheduled for July 28, 2018. It was presented by staff and recommended to cancel to event due to the overall obligational cost SCCTD has to budget foir
 - a. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to cancel the event. 3 ayes – 0 nays.
8. Taulby Roach reported to the Board the OP 10 reports have been submitted and approved for the 1st quarter 2018. He also advised he is currently working with Hollie and Ken to prepare the FY 19 Budget.

Reports:

- Tualby Roach
 - Steve Langendorf was working to recategorize the expenditures for the McKinley Bike Trail Project for the DOAP reimbursement.
- Attorney Baricevic
 - No new Suits
 - Bistate will pick up the Carlyle Ave Case

Executive Session:

4:38 p.m. - Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to go into executive session. 3 ayes – 0 nays.

4:49 p.m. – Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to go back into regular session. 3 ayes – 0 nays

Reports Continued:

- Attorney Baricevic
 - Attorney presented a letter to the Board to Sheriff Watson to be signed, mailed and placed on file. Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to approve as presented. 3 ayes – 0 nays

Under Financial Matters:

Nothing to report

Under Old Business:

Nothing to report

Under New Business:

Nothing to report

Board Member Comments:

- Chairman Meile – Asked the Sheriff regarding for the personnel for the Metro Security positions. Sheriff responded that the personnel in question are all retired security guards and police officers. Meile requested to move the March SCCTD Board meeting from March 20 to March 13 due to March 20 is election day. . Motion was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley to approve as the March 13th date as discussed. 3 ayes – 0 nays.
- Herb Simmons – Advised that he would like to thank all the SCCTD personnel and a SCC officers what a great job everyone is doing and he has never been more informed. Lonnie Mosley and Chairman Meile concurred with his comments.
- Lonnie Mosley – nothing to report
- Mike Sullivan – Absent

Next Meeting:

There being no further business, after the Chairperson Meile reminded everyone that the next Board meeting will be March 13, 2018, the Chairperson entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Herb Simmons and 2nd by Lonnie Mosley. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.