

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Nov. 21th, 2011**

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Present:

Delores Lysakowski, Chairperson
Richie Meile, Trustee
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
Herb Simmons, Trustee
Mike Sullivan, Trustee
Bill Grogan, Managing Director
John Roach, Consultant
Neil Huegen, SCCTD

Absent:

Grey Chatham, Attorney
Walter Jackson, Metro

Chairperson Lysakowski called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Herb Simmons, and seconded by Mike Sullivan to approve the minutes of the Oct. 17th meeting of the Board of Trustees. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

There were no incoming claims or communications.

Under Financial Matters, the Chairperson noted that the District is still waiting for its 1st Quarter DOAP reimbursement.

Under Old Business the Chairperson noted that the Rams season is almost over, and despite an abysmal team, the Rams Express has seen an increase in ridership.

Under New Business, the Chairperson noted that the District's annual open house is going to be held on December 16th at the Transit District office.

Bill Grogan distributed his monthly report and made special notice of another meeting he held with the Urban Land Institute regarding the development of the land next to the Belleville MetroLink Station. Mr. Grogan also made note of an earlier meeting with the FTA's State Safety Oversight of rail systems. The last meeting Mr. Grogan discussed regarded the new Illinois Secretary of Transportation. Mr. Grogan and other IPTA Board Members met with the Governor and Ann Schneider, and were pleased to report that the new Secretary is aware of the all the current issues public transit is facing. They feel she will be a valuable ally to Transit in the future.

John Roach discussed the current difficulties with the Eads Bridge Project. He was pleased to inform everyone that the construction is underway once again and the new crossover is on pace to open in the middle of December. Mr. Roach stated that although there is a temporary resolution in place to resolve the labor disputes, these matters are extremely complex and he expects further disruptions to follow.

And before wrapping up the night's business, the Chairperson noted that The Transit District lost a valuable employee on November 13th, 2011. Mel Douse, the Belleville Transit Plaza manager had worked with the Transit District for over 20 years, and he will be missed by all.

There being no further business, the Chairperson reminded everyone that the next meeting will be at 5:45 pm, Dec. 12th, 2011, in the same location. A motion was made by Herb Simmons, and seconded by Mike Sullivan to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.