

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
February 18, 2020**

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**Present:**

Herb Simmons, Chairman  
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee  
George Markezich, Trustee  
Toni Perrin, Trustee  
Mike Terry, Trustee  
Ken Sharkey, SCCTD Managing Director  
John Baricevic, Attorney  
Hollie Etling, SCCTD  
Jonathan Frederick, SCCTD  
Tony Erwin, SCCTD  
Taulby Roach, Metro CEO

**Absent:** None

Walter Jackson, Metro Superintendent, Illinois Garage

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Simmons, at 4:01 pm.

**Introduction of Guests:** Taulby Roach Metro CEO

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:**

- **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosely to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2020 Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.**

**Incoming Claims and Additions to the Agenda:** None

**Reports:**

- Ken Sharkey
  - Mr. Sharkey advised the Board that SCCTD the Illinois ridership is down 1/10<sup>th</sup> of 1% for the month. He continued by reporting ATS will be receiving 19 new buses, 11 of which will be purchased through the CAP14 funds. These units will be E-350 Models. ATS will be retiring various buses, which will be available for donation or sale.
  - Mr. Sharkey discussed various bus options to best serve the fleet. SCCTD has an interested in high top bus with side door wheelchair lift
  - Mr. Sharkey informed the Board the MetroLink Day at the Ball Park is May 20, 2020 with a ticket price of \$30.00 each. He went on to say this event would be a perfect opportunity to have a ribbon

cutting for the SCCTD Fairview Trail. He also advised the Board to consider a ribbon cutting for the Orchard Loop Phase 2 section, which will be completed by this time as well.

- Mr. Sharkey advised the Board the advertisement has been placed to give the private charter companies to bid on the Red Bird Bus Service. This is a requirement of the FTA and if no bids are received Metro can continue to provide the Red Bird service. Discussions continued about the Fee Structure of the Red Bird Service. Mr. Simmons asked the cost of the service to SCCTD in the 2019-2020 season. Mr. Frederick advised it was approximately \$500,000.00, but 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s of which was paid by the Illinois Department of Transportation Down State Operating Assistance Program (DOAP) Funds. Mr. Markezich asked how long has the service been \$5.00 and Mr. Sharkey advised for the past 2 decades. Mr. Simmons advised the Board discussion is needed to outline a fare structure for this service. Mr. Mosely advised we put it on the agenda for the March Board Meeting.
- Mr. advised a meeting was held with the property owners on McKinley to discuss privacy fence issues and a possible resolution. He went on to say we are working to obtain a price to provide more privacy to the adjacent property owners. As more information becomes available, it will be reported to the Board.
- Mr. Sharkey advised the Board he is working on setting up a meeting with St Clair County Board Chairman to discuss funding and future trail projects and dollars to be spent on the future improvements.
- Mr. Sharkey advised the Board the March Meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2020, election day. It was discussed to move the meeting to March 18, 2020 at 5 pm. **A motion was made by Mr. Mosely and seconded by Ms. Perrin to move the March Board Meeting to March 18, 2020 at 5 pm. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.**
- Mr. Baricevic
  - Mr. Baricevic outlined and presented the status of the current ATS lawsuit. He advised we are still waiting on SWIC to grant SCCTD immunity for this case and future issues that may arise with ATS.
- Tony Erwin
  - Mr. Erwin outlined the two current projects he is working on to obtain bid for the ATS Improvement, which bids are to be received on the 27<sup>th</sup> of February and the Bus Stop Improvements, which bids March 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Markezich asked do we know what stops we will be doing. Mr. Erwin responded by saying we are currently focusing on the high frequency stops and upon final design and placement for the Transit Vision 2020 Route Designs more stops will be constructed.
- Mr. Sharkey and Mr. Roach
  - Mr. Roach outlined the Emerson Park renovations draft recommendations and the costs. Discussion following by the Board. Mr. Sharkey offered to entertain a site visit with the Board and if amenable he would work with everyone and schedule a date. Mr. Roach further outlined these improvements would house the St Clair Sheriffs personnel and Metro Security while on duty as well and St Clair County Emergency Management Agency.

#### **Under Financial Matters:**

- Nothing to report

**Under Old Business:**

- Nothing to report

**Under New Business:**

- Mr. Sharkey updated the Board on the retired ATS computers and Thottlenet would have an exact number of working units by March 3, 2020. Ms. Perrin provided an outline of agencies needing computers and the importance of how this would help the kids in the East St Louis area.
- Mr. Erwin presented IDNR Resolution for the IDNR Grant for Old Collinsville Rd Phase 3 Share Use Path. Mr. Baricevic advised he has reviewed the documents and approved and submitted. **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosely to approve the Resolution as presented. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.**

**Board Member Comments:**

- No comments.

**There being no further business Chairman Simmons entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Markezich and Seconded by Mr. Terry. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.**

Next Board Meeting – **March 18, 2020** at 5:00 pm located at the SCCTD office at 27 North Illinois St, Belleville, Illinois.

**Adjournment 4:56 pm**