# ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES February 15, 2022

#### **Present:**

Herb Simmons, Chairman
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
George Markezich, Trustee
Toni Perrin, Trustee
John Baricevic, Attorney
Ken Sharkey, SCCTD Managing Director
Jonathan Frederick, SCCTD
Hollie Etling, SCCTD
Walter Jackson, Metro Superintendent, Illinois Garage - Phone
Pat Judge, Gonzalez Engineering
Tony Erwin, SCCTD

**Excused Absents:** None Reported

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Simmons, at 5:00 pm.

**Public Comment**: None

## **Approval of Minutes:**

• A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022 Board Meeting. Roll call – Markezich, yes; Mosley, yes; Perrin, yes; Simmons, yes; The motion passed.

**Introduction of Guests**: None

**Incoming Claims:** None Reported

## **Reports:**

- Mr. Sharkey
  - o Mr. Sharkey reported SCCTD closed on four (4) parcels last week near the Belleville Station.
  - o Mr. Sharkey reported he had a meeting with Metro Security, SCC Sheriff Deputies and Chestnut to share operational information.
  - o Mr. Sharkey reported on the Governors visit on January 26 was a successful event and thanked everyone for attending.

- o Mr. Sharkey reported CMT and SCCTD staff completed and submitted two (2) CMAQ applications.
- o Mr. Sharkey reported he attended a meeting with Bistate regarding the Electronic Fare Collection.
- o Mr. Sharkey reported SCCTD hosted a Drivers Appreciation Luncheon at the Illinois Garage and it was a great turnout and the drivers appreciated it as well.
- o Mr. Sharkey advised he will be attending the career fair day at McKendree College
- o Mr. Sharkey advised the Board he would be meeting with Mr. Taulby Roach Thursday February 17<sup>th</sup>.
- o Mr. Sharkey reported Mr. Frederick and himself would be attending IDOT grant funding training for public safety building for Emerson Station.
- o Mr. Sharkey discussed MGT's findings, he drafted a letter to the FTA. He went over the current contract with Metro and research shows no evidence the agreement was approved by the SCCTD Board. Mr. Sharkey outlined distributed copies of the Bistate/SCCTD 5 year agreement that was executed on July 1, 2006. The expired contract requires a 90-day notification to terminate the agreement. Mr. Simmons asked Mr. Baricevic for his opinion on the contract. Mr. Baricevic advised the agreement should have better clarification on true up cost, perhaps pay renegotiate on a flat annual appropriation similar to the City of St Louis payment to Bistate or consider cancelling the existing expired contract and renegotiate a new agreement.

#### • Mr. Baricevic

- o Mr. Baricevic reported he is currently working on 3 litigation issues
- Mr. Baricevic reported his working on preparing the Construction Easement for the Emerson Station Building Project.

#### Walter Jackson

- o Mr. Jackson advised the Board he was very happy and complimented the drivers on a job well done during the last snow storm.
- o Mr. Jackson reported there will be a February 25, 2022 drivers training class.
- o Mr. Jackson advised new runs will start on March 22, 2022.
- o Mr. Jackson advised they will be having a Black History Lunch on March 23, 2022.
- o Mr. Sharkey congratulated the operators did a great job during the snow storm.

## **Old Business:**

- o January 21, 2022 letter to Mr. Taulby Roach, CEO of Bistate awaiting a written response.
- SCCTD received official notice from Secretary Omar Osman for the Illinois Rebuild Transit Phase II was awarded the funds for the Public Safety Building at Emerson Park in East St Louis.

#### **New Business:**

- Resolution 2022-2-15 Authorizing Rebuild Capital Grant Agreement and Opinion of Counsel. A
  motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. Markezich to approve and authorize
  both documents as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The
  motion passed.
- o Mr. Sharkey presented a capital project with Bistate to replace the generator for the Illinois Garage. Mr. Sharkey outlined and explained the project and the matching costs. SCCTD match previously was 3.62 percent. Mr. Sharkey further added and explained. Further discussion followed regarding the match and PLA requirements. A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the project, but with a 4% match to include a PLA. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.
- OMr. Sharkey presented the Belleville Station Renovation Improvements and outlined the bids and Impacts breakdown of cost. Chairman Simmons asked Mr. Erwin to explain the cost breakdown. Mr. Sharkey further outlined and explained the project. Mr. Erwin further explained the project the additions and deductions outlined in the bid as well as the outdated equipment and amenities in the building. Further discussion regarding the funding and the grant amount of \$248,800 then SCCTD's cost would be \$147,200. Mr. Sharkey advised we will also be bringing to the Board proposal for the flooring, blinds and furniture for approval at next months meeting. Mr. Simmons expressed concerns about the contractor. Mr. Sharkey advised SCCTD owns this building not Bistate. A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve and award the project presented by Impact Strategies and the low bid contractor, Calhoun Construction to complete the renovations of the Belleville Station. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.
- Mr. Sharkey presented the bids for the MMB Holdings Clearing and Restoration Project. Mr. Sharkey explained and outlined the bids and advised a PLA is required. Mr. Markezich expressed concerns about awarding the project to the lowest bidder concerning the contractor complying to the PLA agreement. Chairman Simmons asked if anyone has any problems with not awarding the project to the low bidder. Mr. Baricevic expressed concerns about not awarding to the low bidder. He went on to say you have to have justification as to why you are not awarding the project. A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to table the award until further information can be verified about the contractor. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.
- o Mr. Sharkey presented the TWM task orders for the Fairview Heights Swansea Trail Design and the Belleville Tecklenberg Trail Design. Mr. Sharkey further outlined and explained the limits of the projects. Mr. Markezich asked Mr. Sharkey about grants for these projects and Mr. Sharkey advised we will be applying for grant funds. Chairman Simmons asked Mr. Erwin to explain the fees and he outlined and clarified the agreement terms and why some costs are fixed and some are not. Mr. Markezich asked are there other Engineers who can do this work. Mr. Sharkey advised the Board, SCCTD did and RFP and 8 firms submitted information. SCCTD Board selected TWM to do this work. Chairman Simmons asked to table the proposals. Mr. Markezich motioned to table the proposals. Chairman Simmons asked about the Tecklenberg project and Mr. Sharkey further outlined both projects. Mr. Sharkey went on to explain the funding, grant and other partners for the projects. Mr. Markezich asked about the bidding for phase 1 and the status of phase 2 for the Old Collinsville Rd Projects. A motion was made by Mr. Markezich to resend the table motion and seconded by Mr. Mosley to

approve resending the motion. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Ms. Perrin to approve both TWM's design agreements as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

Chairman Simmons opened the floor to Mr. Judge to present the MAA Ameren Agreement. Mr. Judge outlined and explained the agreement and why this agreement is to be approved. The agreement has been reviewed by Mr. Baricevic and his office. Mr. Judge explained the relocation work was anticipated. Chairman Simmons entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Judge this will not be covered by the grant. A motion was made by Mr. Markezich to accept the agreement as presented and seconded by Mr. Mosley. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

## **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. Mosley and seconded by Ms. Perrin. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.
- Next Board Meeting March 15, 2022 at 5:00 pm located at the SCCTD office at 27 North Illinois St, Belleville, Illinois.
- o Adjournment 6:10 pm