

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**

August 16, 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
Tony Erwin, SCCTD
Rick Watson, SCC Sheriff
MSG Troy Lindauer, SCC Sheriff

Excused Absents:

Walter Jackson, Metro Superintendent, Illinois Garage

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Simmons, at 5:00 pm. Chairman Simmons called for a Roll Call of Trustees and all are present.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes:

- **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2022 Board Meeting. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**

Introduction of Guests: MSG Lindauer and Sheriff Rick Watson with the SCC Sheriff's Department.

- Chairman Simmons opened the floor to MSG Lindauer. MSG Lindauer introduced himself and advised he would be taking over as the officer in charge of the MetroLink SCC Sheriff's Team. MSG. Lindauer recommended he would like the Board to consider and approve the purchase of laptops or Ipad, car cameras, communication equipment and body cameras. These items would provide better logistics for their officers in doing their job. MSG.. Chairman Simmons asked MSG. Lindauer to outline a normal shift i.e., where they report, where they start along the alignment and where they check in throughout their shift. MSG. Lindauer outlined a normal shift for his officers and further explained the process of what the officers are required to do as part of their normal duties. Sheriff Watson further outlined the shift and the issues with pay for his Deputies. Sheriff Watson further outlined the shift and the issues with pay for his Deputies.

Chairman Simmons recommended to the Board Mr. Sharkey and MSG. Lindauer get together and come up with a cost analysis to upgrade the vehicles to what is recommended as well as the vehicles. Chairman Simmons he wanted to see the officers along the alignment. Chairman Simmons makes it a point to observe the presence of security when riding transit. MSG. Lindauer and Sheriff Watson thanked the Board for allowing them to come in and introduce themselves and hear their requests.

Incoming Claims:

Mr. Baricevic advised SCCTD received a letter from the Freedom of Religion Foundation in Madison, Wisconsin. The Foundation questioned some bus donations previously approved by the Board. Mr. Baricevic advised he will prepare a response to the Foundation and forward upon approval.

Reports:

- Mr. Sharkey
 - Mr. Sharkey advised he attended State of the City and Village Address for Fairview Heights and Swansea sponsored by the Metro East Chamber.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he had his monthly meeting with BSD CEO Taulby Roach
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he wrote and applied for Governor Pritzker Rebuild Illinois Round 3. Requested electric vehicles, charging stations and Solar panel carports.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised he attended a meeting with Shelia Kimlinger at TWM to review status of projects and to review grant opportunities for future trail design and construction.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he received the award letter for the \$300K grant from Metro East Park and Recreation District for Fairview Heights – Swansea Corridor from Sullivan Drive near MetroLink Tracks to Frank Scott Parkway.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised he had a few preliminary meetings for the planning of next Transit Transformation Stop for 5th & MO Metrolink Station. Scheduling around Juneteenth timeframe 2023.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he had a meeting at IDOT with City of O’Fallon staff to discuss possible future trail with IDOT and grant possibilities.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he spent numerous hours evaluating proposals for the new Fare Collection Program for Metro. He said he served on their scoring committee to select a new contractor to design new system which will integrate with a secure platform system.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised he participated with FGM Architects and others for a prebid meeting with possible bidders for new Public Safety building at Emerson Park. Ideally the SCCTD Board will be selecting a contractor to award the job at the September SCCTD Board Meeting.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he had a meeting with MSGT Troy Lindauer the new commander of the Sheriff Deputy MetroLink fulltime detail.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he met with Kevin Scott and Andrew from BSD and Jim Schiffendecker to discuss the upcoming secure platform program rollout.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he had meeting with IDOT Transit Team, and Gonzalez Companies to discuss Disadvantaged Business Enterprises representation on upcoming Metrolink Extension construction work.

- Mr. Baricevic
 - Mr. Baricevic advised he has been working with Mr. Sharkey and Mr. Frederick regarding the next operating agreements with Bistate. Mr. Baricevic outlined and explained the bonding, revenue, and reimbursement process as a part of the agreement.
 - Mr. Baricevic advised the recent Human Rights Commission complaint was dismissed.
 - The ATS bus accident on Rt 15 is pending is being handled by the contracted service provider SWIC.
 - The ATS bus accident near East St Louis High School is being handled by the contracted service provider SWIC.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

- Mr. Sharkey presented the letter of request from the Greater St. Mark God of Christ Church for a retired ATS bus.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosely and seconded by Mr. Markezich to table the request and place on file. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented one (1) bid received for the 2022 Trail Sealing Project:
 1. Sonneberg Asphalt Inc - \$62,340.00

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to accept the bid and award to Sonneberg Asphalt Inc. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented the CMT 5th and Missouri Transformation Proposal to the Board and advised the last two (2) station improvements SCCTD matched between \$50K and \$60K. For this 2023 location the request is up to \$70K for the improvements, due to it is a larger footprint. He went on to say SCCTD is not the only agency funding for the improvement. Mr. Sharkey advised we are looking to have a grand opening for the project on or around the Juneteenth holiday in 2023. Mr. Sharkey added these improvements would have to work around the future secured platform security improvements. Chairman Simmons advised the security improvements will not happen for a year. Mr. Markezich expressed concern the project should be postponed until after the design for the security improvements have been completed.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to table the CMT Proposal Request. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

Board Member Comments: No comments.

Next Board Meeting

- **September 20, 2022** at 5:00 pm located at the SCCTD office at 27 North Illinois St, Belleville, Illinois.
- **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. Mosley. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**

Adjournment 6:13 pm