

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

November 21, 2023

Present:

Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
George Markezich, Trustee
Sally Rodriguez, Trustee
Ken Sharkey, SCCTD Managing Director
Walter Jackson, Bistate
Mark Kern, County Board Chairman

Excused Absents:

Herb Simmons, Chairman
Toni Perrin, Trustee
John Baricevic, Attorney
Tony Erwin, SCCTD

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Mosley at 5:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

- **A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2023 Board Meeting. The motion passed in a voice vote.**

Public Comment: None

Introduction of Guests: None

Incoming Claims: None to report

Reports:

- Ken Sharkey
 - Mr. Sharkey reported that he and the Gonzalez staff participated in a MetroLink Extension progress meeting with IDOT Transit staff. The IDOT staff is pleased with the construction schedule being implemented.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported that he participated in a couple of meetings with the County Highway Department Engineer and staff to review permit processes and storm water retention.

- Mr. Sharkey reported that he attended a virtual training with an out of state agency. The topics covered pertained to homeless person demographics and how to improve communication skills with people living on the streets.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported that staff attended the EWGW annual Awards luncheon. SCCTD, St Clair County EMS and Metro received an Outstanding Local Government Award for the collaboration on construction of the Public Safety Building at Emerson Park. This project has come about from the leadership and vision of Chairman Herb Simmons.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised that on November 21, 2023 at 8:00am he will be touring the construction site along with some EMS Executive staff. He invited the Board to join the tour.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised that on November 21, 2023 at 1:00pm there will be a Tecklenberg Trail preconstruction meeting at the Belleville Metro Station Conference room.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported that he participated in a live stream panel discussion hosted by Kim Cella at CMT. The program was called “Candid Conversation with Commuters”. Metro executives Trenise Winters and Jessica Gershman were co-contributors on the panel transit leaders.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised that the staff had a celebratory luncheon for Denise Williams’s induction in the National Black Radio Hall of Fame held last month in Atlanta, GA. St. Clair County Board Chairman Mark Kern prepared a wonderful Proclamation to honor Denise’s achievements in our community. A thank you letter from Denise is included in tonight’s meeting materials.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised that in the packet is a thank you letter from Jim Krummrich , Caseyville Township Supervisor. SCCTD/ATS participated in the Fall Festival for senior citizens. A good opportunity to build ridership.
- Mr. Baricevic: N/A
 - Walter Jackson
 - Mr. Jackson informed the Board of the service change effective 11/27/2023.
 - Mr. Jackson informed the Board that there will be a toy giveaway at The Mind of Christ Church in East St. Louis, IL on December 16th starting at 8:00am and ending when all toys are gone.
 - Mr. Jackson advised that the Metro employee Christmas party will take place at the Illinois Garage on December 21 from 11:30am – 2:30pm.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

- Trustee Markezich made several inquiries on land acquisition processes for SCCTD.
- **After some discussion, Mr. Markezich made a motion to hire an appraiser to value parcels of real estate under consideration for acquisition. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rodriguez. The motion was approved.**
- **Mr. Markezich made a motion for the Board to receive a report indicating ongoing work being performed by TWM. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rodriguez. The motion was approved.**
- Mr. Sharkey presented the TWM Task Order for 30% Design for The MetroBikeLink Access at the Swansea Station in the amount of \$13,500.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to table the task order presented until the December meeting when Chairman Herb Simmons will be present. Mr. Mosley called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented the TWM Task Order MetroBikeLink for 30% Design for The MetroBikeLink Access at the Memorial Station in the amount of \$17,500.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to table the task order presented until the December meeting when Chairman Herb Simmons will be present. Mr. Mosley called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented Board Resolution No. 2023-11-21 for the Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to approve the resolution. Mr. Mosley called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the Bistate Funding Request Project ID CP_78559_1612 LRV ESRA ECU MB03/MB04 Replacement SCCTD Local Match Request in the amount of \$30,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the request with the addition of a PLA. Mr. Mosley called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

Board Member Comments: No comments.

Next Board Meeting

- **December 19, 2023** at 5:00 pm located at the SCCTD office at 27 North Illinois St, Belleville, Illinois.
 - **There being no further business, Mr. Mosley entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Rodriguez and seconded by Mr. Markezich. Mr. Mosley called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**

Adjournment 5:29 pm