

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
April 18, 2023**

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**Present:**

Herb Simmons, Chairman  
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee  
Toni Perrin, Trustee  
George Markezich, Trustee  
John Baricevic, Attorney  
Ken Sharkey, SCCTD Managing Director  
Walter Jackson, Metro Superintendent, Illinois Garage  
Hollie Etling, SCCTD  
Jonathan Frederick, SCCTD  
Tony Erwin, SCCTD  
Corey Burries, ATS

**Excused Absents:**

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Simmons, at 5:00 pm. Chairman Simmons called the meeting to order and acknowledged Board Members present and the meeting has a quorum.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:**

- **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2023 Board Meeting. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

**Introduction of Guests:** Chairman Simmons introduced the guest, Ms. Burries

**Incoming Claims:** None Reported

**Reports:**

- Mr. Sharkey
  - Mr. Sharkey advised he initiated a video to promote the new Metro #3 Bus serving Sauget Industrial Park and Water Street in Cahokia Heights. He went on to advise CMT hired a videographer to illustrate access to jobs and retail. He advised Chuck Stewart from Metro was asked to participate in promoting Metro new bus service as well. He reported we received good commentary from Holten Meats and the Village of Sauget.
  - Mr. Sharkey advised he attended numerous meetings on MetroLink Extension project.

- Mr. Sharkey reported he had a meeting with Vern Summers and Chairman Simmons to discuss Vern's role in Illinois overseeing security and Sheriff Deputies he also added John Baricevic and he would be reviewing the first MOU for the city of Fairview Heights.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he was invited to speak to the Fairview Heights Rotary to discuss SCCTD programs.
- Mr. Sharkey reported that Shelia Kimlinger from TWM and he attended a Caseyville Township meeting to request a right of way easement for a planned trail along the old St. Louis to Lebanon Trolley car system. He advise the Caseyville Township Board has granted the easement for SCCTD and John Baricevic will work with Todd Flemming, the Township attorney to prepare the easement to be recorded. He continued by saying this process will be similar to the arrangement between SCCTD and the Township to construct the St. Ellen Bike trail in O'Fallon.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he met with Monroe Randolph Transit District. He advised MRTD has a proposal to operate 3 fixed routes from their Counties to the SWIC, new hospitals and dialysis centers in St. Clair County He continue by saying they propose to pick up residents in the 6 southern St. Clair County townships not served by SCCTD. He further reported he will ask MRTD to submit a formal plan for SCCTD Board Consideration later this summer. He added he also met with Bill Grogan to discuss MRTD plan for conformity with state regulations.
- Mr. Sharkey advised he attended a meeting with Chuck Stewart and Chairman Simmons to discuss new Bus operating agreement to resolve some financial considerations for missed service to SCCTD residents, which is to be discussed further as one of the Action items on the agenda later in the meeting.
- Mr. Sharkey reported has been attending meetings regarding the Transit Stop Transformation stop at 5<sup>th</sup> & MO. He advised Mr. Erwin has been very involved in the delivery of the project.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he has been attending meetings regarding the May 20<sup>th</sup> "Go Trailing Event". He advised Ms. Etling has been working with CMT for preparation of the event.
- Mr. Sharkey advised he attended a meeting with TWM and Mike Buehlhorn to review short term and long-term trail planning. He advised the Board we looking to apply for an IDNR Grant.
- Mr. Sharkey advised he attended the Belleville Chamber of Commerce meeting earlier today. He added Gonzalez Engineering provided a 15-minute presentation regarding the MetroLink Extension project. He reported the presentation was well received.

- Mr. Baricevic
  - Nothing to report.
- Walter Jackson
  - Mr. Jackson outlined the current driver status. He advised they recently hosted a hiring event and expressed they had a good turnout. He went on to say the future outlook for hiring is very positive.

**Old Business:** None to report

**New Business:**

- Mr. Sharkey presented the MAA Extension Temporary Construction Easement between St Clair County and the St Clair County Transit District. Mr. Baricevic further outlined and explained the agreement. Chairman Simmons asked for a motion. **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Ms. Perrin to approve as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**
- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the 2024 Bistate Bus Service Agreement to the Board. Mr. Baricevic further outlined and explained the agreement and the conditions. **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. Chairman Simmons abstained from the vote. 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. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**

Next Board Meeting – **May 16, 2023** at 5:00 pm located at the SCCTD office at 27 North Illinois St, Belleville, Illinois.

**Adjournment 5:17 pm**