

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

September 19, 2023

Present:

Herb Simmons, Chairman
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
George Markezich, Trustee
Sally Rodriguez, Trustee
Mark Kern, SCC Board Chairman
John Baricevic, Attorney
Ken Sharkey, SCCTD Managing Director
Alex Garrett, SCCTD
Mark Harrison, Gonzalez Engineering
Pat Judge, Gonzalez Engineering
Argie Antonakos, Belleville Resident
Jonathan Antonakos, Belleville Resident
Jim Linnemeier, Belleville Resident
Don Duncan, Belleville Resident
Tony Erwin, SCCTD

Excused Absents:

Toni Perrin, Trustee
Walter Jackson, Bistate

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 Markezich, present; Mosley, present; Rodriguez, present; Perrin, absent; Simmons, present. Chairman Simmons noted let the record show we have a quorum.

Public Comment:

- Five local citizens adjacent to the Tecklenburg Trail Project expressed comments and concerns regarding the future improvements. Mr. Linnemeier advised he received the July 17, 2023 letter from the Transit District (This is one of 40 letters sent to area property owners). Mr. Erwin advised he would meet with each individual and present the construction plans. Mr. Erwin also advised the Transit District is not acquiring any private property to complete this project. Chairman Simmons advised the Board would take their comments under advisement. All the residents thanked the Board for the time and excused themselves from the meeting. (5:33 pm)

Approval of Minutes:

- **A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2023 Board Meeting. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**

Introduction of Guests:

- Pat Judge, Mark Harrison with Gonzalez Engineering

Incoming Claims:

- None to report

Reports:

- Mr. Sharkey
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he attended meetings with BSD Finance Staff to introduce SCCTD's new Director of Finance Alex Garrett. He added they discussed workflow of paperwork needed to keep funds flowing between SCCTD and BSD agencies. He advised the meetings were very productive.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he had a phone meeting with Lisa Bowman, Economic Development Director of Sauget and Kim Cella. He said the purpose of the meeting was to promote the New Metro #3 Route to businesses in the Industrial Park. He added, SCCTD, CMT and Lisa have a meeting with businesses on Tuesday September 26 at the Sauget Village Hall.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he continues to meet with Consultant STV on Battery Electric Buses for ATS using a State Rebuild III Grant. Rob Wilson and an STV Architect visited St. Clair County and toured the Illinois Bus Facility, Belleville Metro Station, and MidAmerica Airport.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised he attended a meeting with the Belleville Mayor Gregory and CMT Director Kim Cella to discuss ideas on installing a Belleville Station gateway entrance with an artist creative improvement for the station.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he attended the EWGW Advisory meeting. He said EWGW formerly awarded SCCTD \$1.2 million for Electric buses for ATS at the August 30th Meeting.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he participated in Transit Advisory Working Group Quarterly meeting on MetroLink Security.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he attended a meeting with the Metro Secure Platform Project team and FGM to discuss gated system adjoining new Emerson Public Safety Building.

- Mr. Sharkey advised he attended his monthly meeting with Chuck Stewart of Metro. He said Mr. Taulby Roach participated in part of the meeting.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised he participated in the monthly meeting with Metro /Chestnut Health Systems.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he met with Kevin Scott and his team to discuss the MOU for municipal police providing service at their respective Metro Stations. Mr. Sharkey added he listened to request for replacement vehicles for St. Clair County Sheriff Deputies assigned to MetroLink duty.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he attended a 3-day Illinois Public Transit Association in Bloomington. He advised Mr. Garrett attended as well so he could meet the IDOT Transit Staff. He added, Mr. Garrett has been very successful in submitting large grant reimbursements, which is important for cash flowing expenditures for major capital projects under construction. He also advised, the best session was a 90-minute presentation on Cyber Security presented by a former FBI Agent, which a proposal is included as part of this agenda to protect SCCTD IT infrastructure.
 - Mr. Sharkey reported he attended the Citizens for Modern Transit annual meeting and awards luncheon. He also thanked the staff and Board members who attended.
 - Mr. Sharkey advised the Board on the Good news he recently received. He said SCCTD has officially received a \$1.2 Million CMAQ Grant for BEB Electric Buses for ATS. He added this is the 3rd funding source SCCTD has now secured totaling of \$13,155,000 to electrify the ATS fleet.
- Mr. Baricevic – Nothing new to report

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

- Mr. Sharkey advised the Board at the September 20, 2022 they approved the purchase of a truck in the amount of not to exceed 50k. He advised the Board the actual price for the truck will be \$55,080. Mr. Markezich advised right now this is the only truck available and although is has a few more options he recommended the Board to approved. Chairman Simmons asked is that a motion? Mr. Markezich advised he would make the motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the purchase of the truck in the amount of \$55,080. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented the CMT Fairview Heights Transit Transformation Stop 2024 Proposal to the Board the request up to \$70K.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosely and seconded by Mr. Markezich to approve the CMT proposal request. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented the TWM Tecklenburg Trail Construction Management Task Order.

A motion was made by Ms. Rodriguez and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the Task Order as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented the TWM Shiloh Scott Trail Relocation Design Task Order.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to approve the Task Order as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the Bistate Funding Request Project ID CP97296 120/CP50716 1301 RTU & MAU Replacements 29th Street Rail Facility. Mr. Markezich asked to have a PLA (project labor agreement) included as part of the project.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to the project as presented to include a PLA. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the Bistate Funding Request Project ID CP50716 MAU 2 and MAU 5 Replacements at the IL Bus Facility. Mr. Markezich asked to have a PLA (project labor agreement) included as part of the project.

A motion was made by Mr. Markezich and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to the project as presented to include a PLA. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the Bistate Funding Request Project ID CP 2437 1402 37th Street Wall Geophysical Testing. Ms. Rodriguez advised SCCTD already previously approved funds for the same request. She recommended to table their request until an outline can be provided as to where they are with the overall design and what funds are remaining as well as a history of the project to date from the original requests previously approved by this Board.

A motion was made by Ms. Rodriguez and seconded by Mr. Mosley to table the request until the additional information and a history of the project can be provided. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

- Mr. Sharkey presented the Compensatory Storage Basin for the MetroLink Extension Construction. Mr. Harrison further outlined and explained the requests. Mr. Harrison advised the Board the cost of the additional work request of a not to exceed amount of two million.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosely and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez to approve the additional work for an amount not to exceed two million as presented. Chairman Simmons called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.

Board Member Comments: No comments.

Next Board Meeting

- **October 17, 2023** 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 5:50 pm