

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
February 10, 2026**

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**Present:**

George Markezich, Chairman  
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee  
Derienzia Johnson, Trustee  
Patty Gregory, Trustee  
Ken Sharkey, SCCTD Managing Director  
John Baricevic, Attorney  
Mark Harrision, Gonzalez Engineering  
Jon Schaller, Gonzalez Engineering  
Hollie Etling, SCCTD  
Tony Erwin, SCCTD

**Excused Absents:**

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Mosley, at 5:00 pm. called for a roll call for all Board Members, Mosley, present; Johnson, absent; Gregory, absent; Markezich, present; the meeting has an official quorum.

Trustee Gregory, arrived – 5:11pm

**Approval of Minutes:**

- **A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting of January 13, 2026. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

**Introduction of Guests:** Jon Schaller, Mark Harrison

**Public Comment:** None

**Reports:**

**Ken Sharkey:**

- Mr. Sharkey advised he attended a virtual quarterly Illinois Public Transit Board Meeting. He said they discussed two upcoming events in Illinois. He advised the Rural Transit Association meeting will be held in Springfield from March 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 5<sup>th</sup>

and the American Public Transportation Association Expo will be in Chicago from October 4<sup>th</sup> through the 7<sup>th</sup>.

- Mr. Sharkey reported he and Mr. Erwin met with a representative of Memorial Hospital to discuss bus shelters at both hospital locations.
- Mr. Sharkey advised we recently installed a bus shelter at the Lutheran Church in O'Fallon. He said the church provided the land; the city of O'Fallon poured the concrete and SCCTD installed shelter. He advised Mr. Erwin organized the effort after the church made the offer.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he attended the annual Awards ceremony for police officers recognized by the Southwestern Illinois Law Enforcement Commission.
- Mr. Sharkey reported the SCCTD Ambassadors and he attended the CMT Metro Monitor meeting held with Metro security and other CMT volunteer monitors.
- Mr. Sharkey advised he attended an EWGW Advisory meeting.
- Mr. Sharkey advised the SCCTD Ambassadors provided recorded statements on two incidents regarding Code of Conduct issues on MetroLink Trains.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he rode the Memorial Metro Bus #14 with Bi-State COO.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he and Mr. Erwin attended three MetroLink Extension meetings with Gonzalez company and one with IDOT.
- Mr. Sharkey advised he virtually attended the BSD Board of Commissioner's' meeting and learned about the proposed FY27 Budget. Meet with CFO and Acting President to ask questions concerning the proposed budget.
- Mr. Sharkey reported, Metro will be eliminating the Metro TSS officers effective in April. He said he learned about the TSS elimination from the SCCTD Ambassadors and not Metro. He also added Metro's action directly affects 3 Metro Staffed positions supporting Chestnut Health Staff working on MetroLink and an excellent Metro TSS assigned to the Belleville Transit Center.
- Mr. Sharkey reported he held an organizational meeting with Citizens for Modern Transit for upcoming events. He advised there will be one new event involving partnering with St. Clair County Animal Services to promote adoptions and walking trails usage. He said they are considering a Saturday in October during the annual Shelter Adopt a Dog month.

- Mr. Sharkey reported SCCTD staff is working with Code Blue to correct deficiencies in Emergency Call Boxes.
- Mr. Sharkey reminded the Board he put in their packet copies of Sheriff Deputies schedule and breakdown of time scheduled at 5<sup>th</sup> and MO, platform duty, and train duty as well as a copy of the December overtime report. He went on to say he included a report of the four municipal police department expenses for the last 13 months. He said the Belleville Police Department has three MetroLink Platforms and is the largest investment with the additional policing.
- Mr. Sharkey reported and outlined the CMT chart indicating strong transit support by the State of Illinois and poor support by State of Missouri Funding.
- **John Baricevic:** Nothing to report.

**Old Business:** N/A

**New Business:**

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the Gateway Bobcat UIV Quote. Chairman Markezich told the Board to table this request. Chairman Markezich further discussed all the equipment and wish to have a list. Mr. Erwin accommodated Chairman Markezich with a complete list of all equipment SCCTD currently has on record. Mr. Sharkey further advised the Board this would be a purchase through the State Purchasing Program. Chairman Markezich advised the Board they should table the request due to cost. Chairman Markezich asked if there were any further questions, hearing none called for a motion:

**Motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Ms. Gregory to table the Quote as recommended by Chairman Markezich as presented. Chairman Markezich called for a voice vote. The motion passed.**

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the TWM Task Order to prepare permanent Easements for all the properties within the St Clair County Property for the area where the MetroLink was constructed. Mr. Harrison further outlined and explained this was need to finalize the agreement with Bistate. Mr. Baricevic further outlined and explained the Chairman Markezich why this work had to be done. Chairman Markezich asked if there were any further questions, hearing none called for a motion:

**Motion was made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the Task Order as presented. Chairman Markezich called for a voice vote. The motion passed.**

- Mr. Sharkey presented and outlined the City of Mascoutah Electric Invoice for the electrical connection to the MetroLink at the Mid America Airport. Mr. Harrison advised the initial agreement was an estimate and SCCTD agreed to pay all final cost at the time of completion. Mr. Harrison advised the advised the City's estimate was exceeded by \$52,937.39 with a final invoice due of \$220,407.79. Chairman Markezich asked if there were any further questions, hearing none called for a motion:

**Motion was made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Gregory to approve the invoice as presented. Chairman Markezich called for a voice vote. The motion passed.**

There being no further business Trustee Mosley entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Gregory and seconded by Mr. Johnson. Chairman Markezich called for a voice vote, all in favor. The motion passed.**

Next Board Meeting – **March 10, 2026, at 5:00 pm** located at the SCCTD office at 27 North Illinois St, Belleville, Illinois.

**Adjournment 5:40 pm**