

Presented: March 24th, 2020

TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF RIVER CITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Transit Authority of River City met on Monday, February 24th, 2020 at 1:30 PM, at the Transit Authority Offices, 1000 West Broadway, Louisville, KY 40203, pursuant to written and electronic notice to all Board Members.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Morrow
J.C. Stites
John Launius
Alice Houston
Ted Smith
Carla Dearing

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Charles Rogers

QUORUM CALL

Chair Morrow called the meeting to order at 1:30PM.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The motion was duly moved for the January 2020 Board Meeting minutes by Alice Houston. Board of Directors unanimously accepted the January 2020 Board Meeting minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

Chair Morrow requested a motion to move to close session to discuss litigation and a personnel issue. Carla Dearing moved to close the session and it was properly seconded by Ted Smith.

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Board of Directors moved to a closed session at 1:39PM. Board room was cleared out for the closed session with the Board of Directors.

Board of Directors Meeting resumed at 2:15PM

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Greg Fischer stated that former CEO created a very toxic environment and once informed of the bad environment he took swift action to remove him from his position.

Plan to improve TARC internal operations:

- Continue allegations against former Executive Director Ferdinand Risco.
- Establish anonymous tip line for harassment or any other form of abuse for employees and customers
- Hire committee to run tip line as well as other duties.
- Transaction investigation of all items acquired that Mr. Risco approved during his time; contracts, trips, purchases, etc.

Chair Morrow asked for a motion to approve the plan of action laid out by Mayor Greg Fischer. Moved by Carla Dearing and seconded by Alice Houston. Approved by Board of Directors.

BOARD RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2020-12 P-2813 Industrial Uniforms and Rugs Contract

Presented by: Michael Ratchford

A resolution authorizing the Interim Executive Director to award a one (1) year optional extension to Cintas Corporation for industrial uniform services at an amount not to exceed \$120,000 for a 26 months for industrial uniform and rug services.

The motion was duly moved by JC Stites, seconded by Carla Dearing and approved.

Resolution 2020-13 Donation of Surplus Vehicles – Volunteers of America & 2NOT1

Presented by: Michael Ratchford

A resolution authorizing the Interim Executive Director to donate one (1) surplus 12-passenger van to the Volunteers of America to provide transportation to individuals to and from various Public Health programs and two (2) surplus 12-passenger vans to the 2NOT1 to provide transportation to children to program activities.

The motion was duly moved by John Launius, seconded by Ted Smith and approved.

Resolution 2020-14 FY 2020 Capital Assistance Grants

Presented by: Geoffrey Hobin

A Resolution authorizing the Interim Executive Director to file an application with the Department of Transportation, United States of America, for a grant under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended.

The motion was duly moved by Carla Dearing, seconded by Ted Smith and approved.

Resolution 2020-15 Award of Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Section 5310 Program Funds, FY 19

Presented by: Geoffrey Hobin

A resolution approving the award of Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Section 5310 program funds as set out below, and authorizing the Interim Executive Director to enter into grant agreements with the recommended sub recipients of these funds.

The motion was duly moved by Alice Houston, seconded by JC Stites and approved.

Resolution 2020-16 FTA Grant Authorization

Presented by: Geoffrey Hobin

Resolution authorizing the filing of applications with the Federal Transit Administration, an operating administration of the United States Department of Transportation, for federal transportation assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53; title 23, United States Code, or other federal statutes administered by the Federal Transit Administration.

The motion was duly moved by John Launius, seconded by JC Stites and approved.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial update given by Tonya Carter. **See Financial Report.**

TARC 3 UPDATE

Presented by: Randy Frantz

Reviewed history of TARC3. Began in February in 2018 and consisted of a committee of TARC employees and TARC3 customers. Contracted MV Transit to operate 100% of TARC3 services with also working with ZTrip and MyTrip. **See TARC3 Report.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

No additional comments at this time

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Chair Marrow thanked the TARC team for their continued service with TARC operations. She also stated that TARC would do the following:

- Hire a general counsel inside of TARC
- Add Mayor or his designee to the Board of Directors
- Begin a national search for a new Executive Director

SPEAKERS

- Marcellus Mayes, Chair of Metro Disabilities Coalition: lack of transparency. Even though his appreciations the TARC3 presentation of Randy Frantz, there is still a lack of service. No Public Meetings and no communication to the public about issues. (Randy Frantz commented that we will get your information and follow back up
- Lisa McKeown, Center for Accessible Living: Why is limited service and no tickets are accessible? Is currently working with Wanda Henderson to make the website more accessible to visually impaired and hearing impaired riders. (Tracy Davis responded that TARC is currently working to address all issues and making TARC3 more accessible with website and MyTARC Card)
- John, loyal TARC rider: Gave history of Louisville Transit. States that this is worst that he has ever seen the transit company. Went from 24 hour service to a very limited service that doesn't serve all of the community. Operator shortage is no excuse for lack of service. Will form a transit riders union to challenge TARC issues. TARC needs to fully staff customer service system from 5am until the last bus is off the street.
- Lynetta, loyal TARC3 rider: Lack of safety of the passenger in the TARC3 system. Parents were left at VA Hospital. Experienced an hour wait over the phone. Heart is broken over the broken system of the TARC3 system.

- Theo Hamilton, Union President: Requested that TARC takes services back in-house and cancel all contracts. Stated that these TARC3 complaints happen monthly and will not change unless we move the service in-house.

Adjournment:

Chair Marrow asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by JC Stites and seconded by John Launius. Adjournment at 3:22PM.

Mary Morrow
Chair

Date