Springfield Mass Transit District

The Board of Trustees of the Springfield Mass Transit District met in a regular session in the office of the Springfield Mass Transit District located at 928 South Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois. The Meeting was called to order at 4:32 PM by Brian Brewer, Chairperson.

I. Roll Call

Present:ChairpersonBrian BrewerChairpersonKaren HasaraTreasurerLeslie McCarthySecretarySusan DavskoTrusteeSandra DouglasTrusteeWynne CopleaTrustee

Frank Squires Managing Director

Not Present:

Jerry Doss Trustee

II. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Douglas made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2019 regular meeting, seconded by Secretary McCarthy. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Managing Director's Report

Managing Director Squires informed the board of the delivery of six new 35-foot busses. Unfortunately, one of the six was involved in a collision shortly after going into service. There were no injuries and damage was minor. Budget meetings are to being in earnest beginning January 28, 2020.

IV. Reports

A. Approval of Financial Statements & Cash Disbursements Director Bush presented financial activity for December.

B. Board Committee Reports: Finance-Operations-Administration

Finance: Director Bush had no report.

Operations: Director Ashford reported on ridership being up 0.8% for the fiscal year, and it was up 4% for mainline in December.

Administration: No report.

C. Planning Commission Report:

Mr. Saas reports a full month of continuing to work on the long-range transportation plan.

D. Disabled Persons Advisory Committee Report/Access Springfield: No report

V. NEW BUSINESS

Adopt a Resolution Ratifying the Emergency Purchase of a 72,000 Pound Portable Lift

Director Bush explained the district uses six portable lifts to complete maintenance and repair work in the garage. The lift being replaced had been progressively failing over the course of 2019, finally failing permanently in December.

VI. Closed Meeting

Treasurer Hasara made a motion to move into a Closed meeting at 5:07PM for the purposes of discussing personnel and litigation. The motion was seconded by Secretary McCarty. The vote was unanimous to enter into closed session.

Treasurer Hasara made a motion to end a Closed Meeting at 5:25PM and return to Open Meeting. The motion was seconded by Secretary McCarty. The vote was unanimous to end Closed Meeting and return to Open Meeting.

VII. ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS

None

VIII. Public Comments

Jane F. from Friends of Transit spoke about routes in Riverton to discuss increasing ridership through community partnerships.

Ron W of Friends of Transit had recommendations on Urban routes as he feels some transfer busses run too late for riders to use effectively. He thanked the board for additional shelters at Junction Circle and requested they be situated to better protect from the wind.

IX. Adjournment

Secretary McCarthy moved with Trustee member Coplea seconding a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 5:31 PM.

Leslie McCarthy, Secretary

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Brian Brewer, Chairperson