



Legislative Committee Meeting
Friday, February 21, 2020 – 8:30 am
Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA)
3201 Scherer Drive
St. Petersburg, FL 33716

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Persons wishing to address the Board are requested to complete a "Comment Card" and will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please see staff prior to the meeting. This public comment period will be extended for up to 30 minutes.

3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. January 17, 2020 Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. RSA State Legislative update

5. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. FUTURE MEETING SUBJECTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

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****Next Legislative Subcommittee Meeting****

March 20, 2020 – 8:30 am

**Hillsborough Area Regional Transit (HART)
1201 7th Avenue East
Tampa, FL 33605**



LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 17, 2020 | Manatee County Administrative Center 1112 Manatee Ave. W. Bradenton, FL 34205

Chair Holton called the meeting to order at 8:40 am.

LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Kathryn Starkey, Pasco County - Vice Chair; Commissioner Janet Long, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA); Jim Holton, Gubernatorial; Commissioner John Mitten, Hernando County; Commissioner Karen Seel, Pinellas County (covering Manuel)

LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Cliff Manuel, Jr., Gubernatorial; Rich McClain, Gubernatorial

MEETING ATTENDEES:

Commissioner Reggie Bellamy, Manatee County; Ron Pierce, RSA; David Green, Executive Director; TBARTA staff members; Isabella Sobel, BMO; members of the public

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Manatee County Commissioner Bill Sanders had some questions regarding attendance. He was asked by the Mayor of the City of Bradenton to attend our meetings. There was some confusion from him on whether or not he needed to attend. It was clarified that his role is more of a reporting one in nature.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Approval of November 15, 2019 Legislative Subcommittee meeting minutes.

➤ **Commissioner Long motioned to approve; Commissioner Mitten seconded. Motion passes 5-0.**

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

Appropriations

Ron Pierce from RSA updated the Board on the legislative session that started January 14. Feedback has been generally positive regarding TBARTA's annual appropriation request. The House and Senate budgets will be announced soon, and he anticipates support of \$1.5M in funding for TBARTA operations. At this point it is not known if these funds will be recurring, non-recurring or from the trust fund. No decisions have been made for any additional technology funds at this time.

TBARTA Member Bill

There are concerns from legislation regarding Board members being able to attend meetings and vote electronically. The option could possibly be made available for committee meetings only but not for Board meetings. There also seems to be support for allowing the mayors to each appoint a designee from city council to attend Board meetings in their absence. There was a general consensus that the designee should be appointed for at least a 1-year term.

Adjournment 9:14 am