



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Jim Holton (Chair)
Commissioner Janet Long (Secretary/Treasurer)
Commissioner Reggie Bellamy
Rich McClain
Commissioner Pat Kemp
Commissioner Kathryn Starkey
Commissioner Karen Seel
Mayor Jane Castor
Mayor Rick Kriseman
Secretary David Gwynn
Secretary L.K. Nandam
Executive Director David Green
Legal Counsel Alan Zimmet
TBARTA Staff

ABSENT

Cliff Manuel, Jr (Vice Chair)
Commissioner John Mitten

FY2021 BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS (Alan Zimmet, BMO)

Per the TBARTA bylaws the Board is to elect officers each year in August. This year's election took place in September due to lack of a quorum in August. Each term will commence at the October 16, 2020 meeting.

Nomination for Chair - Jim Holton.

Motion made by Rich McClain, Seconded Mayor Castor.

Voting Yea: Jim Holton, Commissioner Long, Mayor Castor, Mayor Kriseman, Rich McClain, Commissioner Kemp, Commissioner Starkey, Commissioner Bellamy, Commissioner Seel.

Motion passes 9-0.

Nomination for Vice Chair - Rich McClain.

Motion made by Commissioner Long, Seconded Mayor Kriseman.

Voting Yea: Jim Holton, Commissioner Long, Mayor Castor, Mayor Kriseman, Rich McClain, Commissioner Kemp, Commissioner Starkey, Commissioner Bellamy, Commissioner Seel.

Motion passes 9-0.

Nomination for Secretary Treasurer - Janet Long.

Motion made by Mayor Kriseman, Seconded Commissioner Starkey.

Voting Yea: Jim Holton, Commissioner Long, Mayor Castor, Mayor Kriseman, Rich McClain, Commissioner Kemp, Commissioner Starkey, Commissioner Bellamy, Commissioner Seel.

Motion passes 9-0.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMAugust Board Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner Long, Seconded by Rich McClain.

Voting Yea: Jim Holton, Commissioner Long, Mayor Castor, Mayor Kriseman, Rich McClain, Commissioner Kemp, Commissioner Starkey, Commissioner Bellamy, Commissioner Seel.

Motion passes 9-0.

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT – CLIFF MANUEL**Van Scoyoc Federal Legislative Update (Harry Glenn and Steve Palmer)

The 2020 fiscal year is coming to an end on September 30th. Earlier this week the House passed a continuing resolution that will fund the Government through December 31. This bill extends the Surface Transportation Authorization Fast Act bill for one more year. This will have no effect on the TBARTA multi-year bill. Yesterday the Speaker of the House and Secretary of the Treasury announced that they are trying to pass another COVID bill for \$2.4 trillion dollars.

RSA State Legislative Update (Ron Pierce)

RSA is working on the fiscal year 2021 legislative agenda. Some discussion did take place in the Legislative Subcommittee meeting this month, but they are not ready to bring it to the Board.

FDOT Letter Update (David Green)

Last month we discussed creating a draft letter requesting to meet with Secretary Thibault to discuss funding ideas for TBARTA agency operations. Before doing so we met with FDOT to discuss it further. It

was decided that based on the current economic climate that dedicated funding from the State operating budget will be the best strategy.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – COMMISSIONER JANET LONG

August 2020 Financials (Melonie Williams)

Year to date through the month of July, the net surplus of \$152,783 is \$53,443 under the budget of \$206,226. On the revenue side we were under budget by \$3.2 million dollars due to the timing of the PD&E and Technology studies. On the expense side we were also under budget by \$3.1 million dollars. At the end of August we had approximately \$154,000 in the bank.

Second Amendment to PSTA/TBARTA Interlocal Agreement (David Green)

A second amendment to TBARTA's Interlocal agreement with PSTA was presented for approval. The initial agreement allowed PSTA to provide TBARTA grant administration, management, administration, procurement, and accounting services. The first amendment extended the original agreement for an indefinite term. The second amendment allows for reciprocal services from TBARTA to PSTA.

Motion made by Commissioner Long, Seconded by Commissioner Starkey.

Voting Yea: Jim Holton, Commissioner Long, Mayor Castor, Mayor Kriseman, Rich McClain, Commissioner Starkey, Commissioner Bellamy, Commissioner Seel.

Motion passes 8-0.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – RICH MCCLAIN

RTDP Path Forward (Chris Jadick)

To further our Envision 2030 commitment we have identified core partners and recommendations that we feel best serve the interest of those partners. Whit Blanton and Beth Alden with Forward Pinellas provided their legislative position statement for transit funding in the Tampa Bay Area. It essentially suggests that we work together as a region to increase the flexibility of existing transportation funding sources for transit projects. Rick Homans from Tampa Bay Partnership agrees and hopes that we can all collaborate on a regional scale. He also spoke about developing funding proposals that can work for everyone.

TRANSIT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – KURT SCHEIBLE

The TMC had some great discussions on setting up the RRT for success regarding managing the different routes and ridership.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Thanked the Board for re-electing him as the Chair. Looking forward to working on our challenges and move things forward. He also thanked Commissioner Long for helping to bring our accounting up to

standard. Asked the Board to all work together on finding creative ways for funding issues. He will be re-organizing our committees so we can do so effectively.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Our CARES Act grant was approved and executed on September 2nd, this is our key funding source for next year's operating budget.

We have ongoing conversations with Liliium regarding making Tampa Bay a hub for electric air-taxis and plan to provide an update next month. Researchers from NASA have been developing an urban air mobility regional modeling and simulation tool (GIS based simulation model). TBARTA and NASA are partnering to build a customized model for Hillsborough County. This is fully funded by NASA and will help State and local Governments identify the best locations for air taxi vertiports.

We are working with Whit Blanton from Forward Pinellas on finalizing a cable car pilot project outline. Updates will be provided as things move forward.

Today is Cyndi Raskin's last day with TBARTA. She has served as the Director of Commuter Services for the past 18 months and successfully gave the department a complete makeover. We thank her for that and wish her the best on her new endeavors.

The Governor's executive order will expire October 1st. We should expect to return to in-person meetings and will update everyone once we are aware of specifics.

Birthday wishes go out to Commissioner Starkey and Rich McClain.

PRESENTATIONS

Hyperloop (Andrea La Mendola, Hyperloop Transportation Technologies)

Hyperloop is being designed to provide a safe, quality passenger experience. It can operate as an elevated infrastructure with a levitated capsule that is electromagnetically propelled. The capsule is fully enclosed, protecting it from weather and traffic crossing, and uses alternative energy in the form of solar panels. Hyperloop is a very energy efficiency form of travel, producing more energy than it consumes within a year. The capsule is approximately one hundred feet long, travels up to 760 miles per hour, holds up to 50 passengers, and can depart a station every 40 seconds allowing for over 160,000 passengers and 4,000 cargo loads daily. Their multi-modal station design accommodates other modes of transportation including air-taxis. Hyperloop has low operating, maintenance and end user costs, and lower capital infrastructure costs than high-speed rail. A full-scale test track is operational in Toulouse, France and HTT is currently working on a commercial prototype in Adu Dhabi, UAE, and a cargo prototype at the Port of Hamburg, Germany. Industry achievements include creating an insurance framework, certification guidelines, and government guidance. They are currently conducting a feasibility study in the Great Lakes region (connecting Chicago, Cleveland, and Pittsburg). During the presentation, a regional study was proposed for Tampa Bay. Phases one and two focus on creating tunnel concept infrastructures connecting Tampa to St. Pete and St. Pete to Bradenton. The third phase entails a network concept connecting Bradenton to Miami. The Board agreed to discuss further consideration of Hyperloop during its October Policy Committee meeting.

****NEXT BOARD MEETING****
October 16, 2020 – 10:00 AM
Online via Zoom

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