



It is the Mission of the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority to provide accessible, reliable, safe, environmentally responsible, and cost-effective public transportation options for the benefit of the Ann Arbor Area Community.

Approved Minutes
Wednesday, May 20, 2015
Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority
Board of Directors Meeting
Hilton Garden Inn, 1401 Briarwood Circle, Ann Arbor, Michigan 9:00 a.m.

Board: Michael Allemang*, Susan Baskett, Jack Bernard, Eli Cooper, Gillian Ream Gainsley, Sue Gott, Charles Griffith (Chair), Larry Krieg, Eric Mahler, Stephen Wade*

*New Board Members; not yet sworn in

Staff: Michael Benham, Jan Black, Terry Black, Ron Copeland, Bill De Groot, Dawn Gabay, Bob Guenzel, Don Kline, Ed Robertson, Mary Stasiak, Phil Webb, Michelle Whitlow

Recording Secretary: Karen Wheeler

Charles Griffith declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

1.0 Public Hearing – None Scheduled

There was no Public Hearing.

2.0 Communications and Announcements

There were no communications or announcements.

3.0 Public Time – Comment on Agenda Items

No one appearing, Mr. Griffith declared Public Time closed.

4.0 Review and Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes for the Board's approval.

5.0 Board and Staff Reports

Bob Guenzel reported on receipt of a Special Tribute from the State of Michigan and read the language into the record.

State of Michigan Special Tribute to Ann Arbor Transit Authority

Let it be known, that it is with sincere gratitude that we present this tribute to Ann Arbor Area Transit Authority for their courageous work to help clear the 50-car pile-up on US-23 on January 9, 2015. This horrific accident resulted in the death of one and caused serious injury and damage to many others. We are extremely fortunate to have such passionate and dedicated first responders serving our community.

On January 9, 2015 the accident on US-23 changed the lives of many local residents, but without the help of Ann Arbor Area Transit Authority, the outcome of this frightening incident would not have been handled as efficiently. The 50 vehicle pile-up was due to the dangerously icy roads and white-out conditions and resulted in the death of one person and extrication of two from their cars, as well as serious damage to many other vehicles. A special thank you goes to Ann Arbor Area Transit Authority, for their help with extrication. They have impacted the community in a tremendously positive way, and we thank them for their service.

In Special Tribute, Therefore, this document is dedicated to honor all the members of Ann Arbor Area Transit Authority for the selfless commitment to those in need they demonstrated through their tireless efforts to clear US-23 after the fatal accident on January 9, 2015.

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Mr. Guenzel congratulated Ron Copeland, Operations Manager, and presented the Tribute to Mr. Copeland.

Mr. Guenzel thanked the board for the opportunity to serve the organization, and staff for being helpful and supportive. Mr. Guenzel complimented the board and staff for their dedication to the public transportation mission and for their support in the community.

Charles Griffith thanked Mr. Guenzel for serving as Interim CEO and for his work on the selection process for the new CEO.

6.0 Question Time

There were no questions from Board members.

7.0 Old Business

There was no Old Business for the Board to consider.

8.0 New Business

Gillian Ream Gainsley moved the following resolution with support from Larry Krieg.

8.1 Consideration of Resolution 25/2015 Award of a Contract for Transit Employee Uniforms

WHEREAS, the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority (AAATA) employs seven Call-Takers, 150 Motor Coach Operators (MCOs) and 36 Maintenance Personnel, and

WHEREAS, AAATA provides uniforms for these employees to identify them to the public as AAATA employees and representatives, and

WHEREAS, in October 2014, AAATA issued Request for Proposals (RFP) 2014-09 for Transit Employee Uniforms, and

WHEREAS, the RFP sought a qualified firm to provide uniforms and a website or an online ordering system to better facilitate the ordering of uniforms, and

WHEREAS, two (2) Proposals were received and reviewed by an Evaluation Team which included AAATA staff from the Human Resources, Operations and Maintenance departments, and

WHEREAS, the Proposal from Superior Uniform Sales, Inc. has been determined to be the most advantageous to AAATA,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT IS RESOLVED, that the AAATA Board of Directors authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a one-year contract with four (4) one-year renewal options with Superior Uniform Sales, Inc. for transit employee uniforms for an amount not to exceed \$118,000.

Board members commented on the resolution noting a change whereby employees can order uniforms online. The professional appearance of AAATA Motor Coach Operators was noted.

The motion carried.

9.0 Public Time

No one appearing, Mr. Griffith declared Public Time closed.

10.0 Adjourn

Jack Bernard moved to adjourn the meeting with support from Gillian Ream Gainsley.
The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Baskett, Secretary