



RECORDED

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MOUNTAIN RIDES TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Wednesday, June 20, 2018, 12:30 p.m.
Ketchum City Hall Meeting Room, Ketchum, Idaho**

Board Members of the Mountain Rides Transportation Authority met in a Regular Meeting in the Ketchum City Hall Meeting Room, Ketchum, Idaho.

PRESENT: Chair Kristin Derrig (Ketchum), vice-chair Grant Gager (Ketchum), Jim Finch (Hailey), Tom Blanchard (Bellevue), Peter Hendricks (Sun Valley) and Rick Webking (Sun Valley)

NOT PRESENT: Secretary Tory Canfield (at-large), Dave Patrie (Blaine County)

ALSO Mountain Rides Executive Director Wally Morgus

PRESENT: Mountain Rides Business Manager Tucker Van Law
Mountain Rides Operations and Maintenance Manager Ben Varner
Mountain Rides Community & Customer Relations Supervisor Kim MacPherson
Mountain Rides Bike -Ped Coordinator Michael David

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kristin Derrig called to order the meeting of Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 12:34pm, Tom Blanchard called roll and determined that a quorum was present.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBER THOUGHTS

Kristin Derrig welcomed Mayor Peter Hendricks and Rick Webking to the Mountain Rides Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (including questions from Press)

There was none.

4. ACTION ITEMS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Discussion item:

Introducing and hearing comments from each new member of the MRTA Board of Directors (2 new members)

Wally Morgus introduced the new board members and invited them to introduce themselves. Peter Hendricks, Mayor of Sun Valley, introduced himself and said he thought it would be worthwhile for the City of Sun Valley and Mountain Rides to gain experience, gain knowledge of funding, concerns and citizen involvement. He will serve for at least one year on the board and would like to have an elected official on the board going forward.

Peter Hendricks introduced Rick Webking as the other new Sun Valley member.

Rick Webking looked at this as an opportunity to share skills and finance background. He would like to be a part of the finance committee.

b. Action item:

Appoint each new MRTA Board of Director member to a Board of Directors' committee

Jim Finch made a motion to appoint Rick Webking to the Mountain Rides Board of Directors' Finance & Performance Committee and to appoint Peter Hendricks to the Mountain Rides Board of Directors' Planning & Marketing Committee. Tom Blanchard seconded and the motion carried.

c. Action item:

Approve July 2018 release of RFP for Electronic Fare Solution ("EFS")

Tom Blanchard made a motion to authorize the Mountain Rides' staff to issue to the public, including to at least three (3) providers of the anticipated products and services, RFP #201807-01MRTA, Request for Proposals re: Electronic Fare Solutions, between the dates of July 1, 2018 and July 31, 2018, inclusive. Grant Gager seconded. Rick Webking asked about the proposal timeline.

There was an amended motion to change the dates from "current to July 31, 2018."

The amended motion passed unanimously.

d. Action item:

Approve travel and associated expenditures for two (2) MRTA staff to attend August 2018 Runcutter Course, Flagstaff, AZ

Wally Morgus said that Ben Varner and Mike Knudson will be attending this course. Ben Varner said this will be fully reimbursed by ITD.

Peter Hendricks made a motion to approve travel to, attendance at, and associated expenditures for the Runcutter Course, Flagstaff, Arizona, August 7-8, 2018, for MRTA's Ben Varner and Michael Knudson. Tom Blanchard seconded and the motion carried.

e. Discussion item:

Responses to RFI for Fuel Pricing and Purchasing Methodology

Ben Varner said they released a fuel RFI in May but we don't get very many respondents. We received only one response and that was from United Oil.

f. Discussion item:

Calculating and Apportioning MRTA's Annual Local Funding Request

Wally Morgus has been in the throes of the funding request process. He said funding partners raised the issue of "fair, equitable, reasonable and rational" allocation of the funding burden among the joint powers.

Wally said we do a zero-based budget and look at the gap in the budget and go to the funding partners. We ask for a flat percentage from all but maybe we should look at alternative methods.

Grant Gager said that this is the exact reason he is our new executive director. He appreciates and looks forward to constructive solutions that he will bring to the board. He suggested that the 1% for air does more to move people who don't live here than to move the people who do live here. He suggested maybe we can have an alternative funding of a half percent for public transportation. He said keeping the service free is not a bad idea.

Wally Morgus said that 16-18% of ridership starts in Bellevue and the benefits are across the county.

Michael David said the original use of the LOT was for public transportation.

Tom Blanchard said he saw the Mountain Rides ADA service dropping someone off at the Hailey Clinic. This service is vital and include some social values.

Grant Gager said we will help provide the transparency that has been missing. He has learned that there is nothing arbitrary about the budget number and a lot of work goes into it.

5. Committee Reports

Planning & Marketing committee was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

Finance & Performance committee was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

6. Staff reports

a. Dashboard performance reports for April 2018

b. Bike-Ped report

c. Marketing and Outreach report – Tom Blanchard said we need to invest more in marketing. Peter Hendricks disagrees. Wally Morgus said that we need to bring our marketing media to the level of sophistication of our riders.

d. Operations & Maintenance report

e. Business Manager report – Tucker Van law said we are looking at changing the funding for capital purchases from 15 to 20%.

f. Executive Director report – Wally Morgus said that ITD came for a visit and discussed Mountain Rides funding. The money for the Ketchum Transportation center is still available but will have to use it by September 2018. We also had a site visit from the FTA.

1:45pm Grant Gager and Peter Hendricks left the meeting

7. Consent Calendar items

a. Approve minutes May 16th regular meeting. **Tom Blanchard made a motion to approve the minutes for May 16th regular meeting. Kristen Derrig seconded and the motion passed. Jim Finch and Rick Webking abstained.**

b. Receive & File February and April 2018 financials and bills paid

Tom Blanchard moved to receive and file the financials for April 2018. Jim Finch seconded. The motion passed.

8. Executive Session

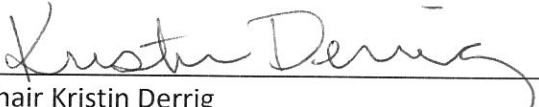
At 2:00pm, Tom Blanchard made a motion to go into Executive Session per Idaho code 74-206(1)(c) to discuss real estate. Jim Finch seconded.

Roll call: Kristin Derrig, aye, Tom Blanchard, aye, Jim Finch, aye, and Rick Webking, aye.

At 2:47pm, Tom Blanchard made a motion to end Executive Session. Jim Finch seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

9. Adjournment

Jim Finch moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:47pm. Tom Blanchard seconded and the motion carried unanimously.


Chair Kristin Derrig