



RECORDED

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MOUNTAIN RIDES TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 12:30 p.m.
Ketchum City Hall Meeting Room, Ketchum, Idaho**

The Mountain Rides Transportation Authority's Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting in the Ketchum City Hall Meeting Room, Ketchum, Idaho.

PRESENT: Chair Kristin Derrig (Ketchum), Vice-chair Grant Gager (Ketchum), Secretary Tory Canfield (at-large), Rick Webking (Sun Valley), Tom Blanchard (Bellevue) and Kathy Kristenson (Blaine County)

ABSENT: Jim Finch (Hailey) and Peter Hendricks (Sun Valley)

ALSO, PRESENT: Mountain Rides Director, Transit Operations, Ben Varner
Mountain Rides Director, Finance & Administration, Tucker Van Law
Mountain Rides Director, Community Development, Kim MacPherson
Peter Jensen, *Idaho Mountain Express*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kristin Derrig called to order the meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 12:30pm. Tory Canfield called roll and determined that a quorum was present.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBER THOUGHTS

Grant Gager thanked the staff for all their hard work over the holiday weekend. Kristin Derrig and Kathleen Kristenson said they were impressed with how Mountain Rides handles the buses with all the snow we have had.

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

There was none.

4. ACTION ITEM: Approve Consent Calendar items

- a. Approve minutes: Regular board meeting, Jan 16, 2019 and Special meeting for Jan 2, 2019
- b. Receive/file: Performance Dashboard report for January 2019
- c. Receive/file: Financial Statements and Bills Paid reports for Oct 2018, Nov 2018, Dec 2018
- d. Receive/file: Planning & Marketing Committee, Feb 6, 2019, Minutes & Report from Chair
- e. Receive/file: Finance & Performance Committee, Feb 6, 2019, Minutes & Report from Chair
- f. Receive/file: Reports from Director, Community Development; Director, Transit Operations; Director, Finance & Administration; Executive Director
- g. Approve/adopt: Mountain Rides Policies, revised 2/2019
 - i. Policy Section 110 – Employee Expense Reimbursement Policy
 - ii. Policy Section 131 – Record Retention Policy

h. Approve: Destruction of Mountain Rides’ records per Policy Section 131 – Record Retention Policy

Rick Webking asked about the performance dashboard, item 4b, ridership on the Hailey route and vanpool. He also asked about an accident noted. Ben Varner said it was not our fault, someone hit our bus with their door and the other party will pay for the cost of that.

Tom Blanchard asked about the revenues and expenses for the month.

Grant Gager asked about item 4gii, regarding the historic records and if this is guided by state statute. Tucker Van Law responded that when we save in dropbox, documents and items are saved in the cloud and on our computers.

Grant Gager moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Tom Blanchard seconded. The motion passed.

5. DISCUSSION ITEM: Battery – Electric bus demo day, Mon, Feb 25, 2019

Kim MacPherson described the schedule for the day. The electric bus will be parked at Ketchum City Hall and Proterra CEO, Ryan Popple, will go into the council chambers to speak about electric buses.

Ben Varner said that Proterra is the only bus company designing electric buses only. Even though this visiting bus is 40 ft, we will be getting 35 ft buses for our fleet.

6. DISCUSSION ITEM: Preliminary Summer 2019 Service Plan Considerations

Ben Varner said we want to get some board input and ideas of service improvements.

Tory Canfield asked about taking the Ketchum Circulator to the City of Ketchum for winter service and not having it just in the summer.

From an operational point of view, Ben Varner said that we should look at the Red Route decoupling West Ketchum and Elkhorn.

Grant Gager suggested a need for service to River Run in the summer and staff reaching out to Sun Valley Company.

Rick Webking asked about Red Route service in the summer. Kim MacPherson said we will keep Red Route service to the symphony in the summer.

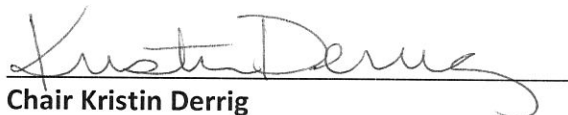
Tom Blanchard asked about Valley Route evening service. Ben Varner said Sunday service is the one day that is lacking service and staff would like to expand weekend service at some point.

Grant Gager suggested asking the BCRD if they would like to fund service to Galena lodge in the summer.

Rick Webking mentioned that in the Finance & Performance committee meeting, the group spoke about finding a consultant to research electric buses.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Tom Blanchard moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:29pm. Rick Webking seconded. The motion carried unanimously.


Chair Kristin Derrig