

Mountain Rides Transportation Authority

MINUTES

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, January 2, 2019

Ketchum City Hall Council Chambers, 480 East Ave. N., Ketchum, ID 83340

PRESENT: Chair Kristin Derrig (Ketchum), Vice-chair Grant Gager (Ketchum), Rick Webking (Sun Valley),

Jim Finch (Hailey), Tom Blanchard (Bellevue) and Peter Hendricks (Sun Valley)

NOT PRESENT: Secretary Tory Canfield (at-large) and (Blaine County) vacant

ALSO

Mountain Rides Executive Director Wally Morgus

PRESENT:

Mountain Rides Director, Transit Operations Ben Varner

Mountain Rides Director, Finance and Administration Tucker Van Law Mountain Rides Director, Community Development Kim MacPherson Mountain Rides Coordinator, Community Development Michael David

Peter Jensen, Idaho Mountain Express

Sarah Michael

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kristen Derrig called the special meeting to order at 1:05pm. Grant Gager called roll and determined a quorum was present.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBER THOUGHTS

Peter Hendricks said he met with Michael David and they spoke about dollar night on Sunday night. They spoke about the very large crowds at the Wells Fargo bus stop, leaving passengers, and standing room only on Valley route buses and would like to have these issues a part of the discussion later.

Grant Gager said that over the holidays he had several visitors come into city hall and they had a lot of praise for Mountain Rides from visitors and locals.

The group talked about dollar night on Sundays and Tuesdays at Whiskey's and the role that Sun Valley Co plays. We asked to be a part of the orientation that they have with employees, but they are not doing that anymore. There is police presence at the bus stop for the late-night buses.

Grant Gager asked if we could use the larger valley buses. Jim Finch wants to have Sun Valley Co be more involved.

Wally Morgus stated that the bartenders at Whiskey's announce the buses every hour.

In a discussion with Chief Kastner, he said things are better with our late-night buses running and having our buses makes things safer. Wally Morgus said he also suggested that we keep to our fixed route schedule. Kim MacPherson stated that the late-night buses are hard to staff as well.

Ben Varner said we couldn't have the late blue route service without the help of the Ketchum Police dept.

3. Action item:

Approve award of 2019 contract for tires to Les Schwab Tire Center

Wally Morgus said the RFP went out in early December and received two responses. One of the bidders RFP was not complete and was higher than Les Schwab. We are recommending that we award the bid to Les Schwab.

Rick Webking asked about the dollar amount for this item and Ben Varner responded it was about \$38,000.

Grant Gager moved to award MRTA's 2019 tire purchasing contract to Les Schwab for an amount not to exceed that budgeted. Peter Hendricks seconded, and the motion passed.

4. Action item:

Approve award of 2019 contract for fuel to United Oil

Wally Morgus stated that this RFP went out in early December and received only one response. The contract is for unleaded and diesel fuel.

Grant Gager moved to approve United Oil's response to MRTA's 2019 Fuel IFB and authorize the Executive Director to execute the contract for 2019 fuel and purchasing for an amount not to exceed that budgeted. Jim Finch seconded, and the motion passed.

5. Discussion item:

2019 Strategic Plan Workshop

The group had a lively discussion about MRTA's strategic "action" plan. This meeting has been recorded. For more information we can make the recording available.

6. Adjournment

Jim Finch moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:00pm. Peter Hendricks seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Kristin Derrig