



RECORDED

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MOUNTAIN RIDES TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 12:30 p.m.
Conference Call**

The Mountain Rides Transportation Authority's Board of Directors met in a Regular Meeting on a conference call.

PRESENT: Chair Kathleen Kristenson (Blaine County), Vice-chair Melody Mattson (at-large), Rick Webking (Sun Valley), Peter Hendricks (Sun Valley), Neil Bradshaw (Ketchum), Kristin Derrig (Ketchum), Juan Martinez (Hailey) and Tom Blanchard (Bellevue)

ALSO PRESENT: Mountain Rides Executive Director, Wally Morgus
Mountain Rides Director, Finance & Administration, Tucker Van Law
Mountain Rides Director, Assets & Planning, Ben Varner
Mountain Rides Director, Transit Operations, Kim MacPherson
Mountain Rides Manager, Transit Operations, Jamie Canfield

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kathleen Kristenson called to order the meeting of Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 12:37pm via conference call. Secretary Rick Webking called roll and determined that a quorum was present.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR, BOARD MEMBERS and STAFF

Kathleen Kristenson stated that she was on KMTV talking about the Electric buses.

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

There was none.

4. Consent Calendar items

- a. Approve: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, August 18, 2021
- b. Receive/file: Performance Dashboard report for August 2021
- c. Receive/file: July 2021 Operating Financial Statements and Bills Paid
- d. Receive/file: Minutes of Planning & Marketing Committee Meeting, September 1, 2021
- e. Receive/file: Minutes of Finance & Performance Committee Meeting, September 1, 2021
- f. Receive/file: Reports from Director, Transit Operations; Director, Finance & Administration; Director, Assets & Planning; Manager of Transit Operations; Executive Director
- g. Approve/adopt: Mountain Rides' FY2022 Organizational Structure (Org Chart)
- h. Approve/adopt: Mountain Rides' FY2022 Payscale

i. Approve/adopt: Mountain Rides' FY2022 Transportation Service Plan

Rick Webking moved to approve, receive, file, and adopt the Consent Agenda. Neil Bradshaw seconded. The motion passed.

5. ACTION ITEM:

Approve/adopt FY2022 Budgets (Operating Fund, Capital Funds)

Tucker Van Law said this was presented to the committees previously.

Neil Bradshaw moved to approve and adopt the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating, Capital, Facilities, Workforce Housing, and Contingency Budgets for Mountain Rides Transportation Authority. Rick Webking seconded. The motion passed.

6. DISCUSSION ITEM:

Items of Interest to the Board

Juan Martinez said thank you to staff for everything we do. And moving our service over to River Street in Hailey during the construction. Thank you for the hard work and the ability to make adjustments on the fly and serve your community. He brought forward an idea seeing the numbers throughout the valley, to bring an extra representative at board level for Hailey. Maybe it would be an at-large seat, but we do have a couple elections at city council coming up and there may be an opportunity there to get people involved. This industry is hard to get a grasp on over the first year. He thinks if we can train somebody so there was another good representative for the community, that would be to everyone's benefit. In Hailey there are a lot of infrastructure opportunities on River Street coming up and he would love to have more representation from Hailey if possible.

Rick Webking asked about the Joint Powers agreement call for regarding seats. All seats are filled but Rick suggested to have a representative from the City of Hailey to observe the meetings like committee meetings where these things are discussed.

Tom Blanchard said we are controlled by the JPA and would require an amendment of that to be agreed on by all participating partners. Tom said Hailey is obviously our largest community and given the importance of the Valley route, he thinks there is an argument for supporting that kind of thing.

Rick Webking said maybe there is a spot for an ex-officio member but maybe the attorney should be consulted.

Neil Bradshaw suggested that staff can circle back and let everyone know what the options are then we can have a more informed discussion.

Wally Morgus suggested he would ask our attorney and bring to our committee meetings in October.

Rick Webking said he heard questions from a Sun Valley resident about the Red Route during one of the budget sessions, regarding more service in the summer near Morningstar.

Wally Morgus said this is a monetary issue and would need some funding from the City of Sun Valley. But we can talk about it with staff internally within our service plan. We are in the process of evaluating it.

Jamie Canfield said we are discussing this at an Operations level currently.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b), to consider the evaluation of an employee

Neil Bradshaw made a motion that the Mountain Rides' Board of Directors enter Executive Session at 1:06pm as authorized by Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) to consider the evaluation of an employee. Juan Martinez seconded. The motion passed. Roll call: Kathleen Kristenson, aye, Melody Mattson, aye, Tom Blanchard, aye, Juan Martinez, aye, Kristin Derrig, aye, Neil Bradshaw, aye, Rick Webking, aye, and Peter Hendricks, aye.

8. Tom Blanchard moved to return to open/public session at 1:30pm. Juan Martinez seconded.

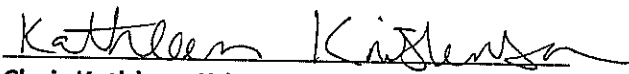
9. ACTION ITEM:

Per Executive Session

Tom Blanchard moved that the board accept the evaluation of the executive director as discussed in executive session and that those results be presented by the chair. Juan Martinez seconded. The motion passed.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Juan Martinez moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:32pm. Melody Mattson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.


Chair Kathleen Kristenson