

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MOUNTAIN RIDES TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 1:00 pm

Sun Valley City Hall, 81 Elkhorn Rd, Sun Valley, ID

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

PRESENT:

Grady Burnett, Peter Hendricks, Neil Bradshaw, Kristin Derrig, Melody

Mattson, Tom Blanchard, Muffy Davis

ALSO PRESENT:

Wally Morgus, Carlos Tellez, Jamie Canfield, Jerry Garcia, Liz Ruiz, Andrea

Hernandez

**NOT PRESENT: Martha Burke** 

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Grady Burnett called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Kristin Derrig took attendance and confirmed that a quorum was present.

#### 2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR, BOARD MEMBERS, and STAFF

Wally Morgus gave a shout-out to the drivers for doing a great job during the construction delays.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none

#### 4. ACTION ITEM:

### Approve Consent Agenda

- a. Authorize/approve: Disbursement of MRTA's funds for paying bills on hand as of June 16,
   2025
- b. Approve/file: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, May 21, 2025
- c. Approve/file: Minutes of Finance & Performance Committee, June 4, 2025
- d. Receive/file Performance Dashboard, May 2025
- e. Receive/file: April 2025 Operating Fund Financial Statements and Bills Paid
- f. Receive/file: Report from Director, Fleet, Maintenance & Facilities; Director, Transit Operations; Director, Finance, Human Resources & Administration; Manager, Marketing & Communications; Executive Director

Kristin Derrig moved to approve the consent agenda, and Muffy Davis seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

## 5. DISCUSSION ITEM: FY26 Budget & Joint Powers' Funding

- Wally Morgus provided a preliminary overview of the FY26 Budget and outlined proposed changes.
- Wally highlighted adjustments to salaries, service expansion, and sustainability investments.
- Jerry Garcia noted increased building and bus costs, which have raised overall coverage values.

## 6. DISCUSSION ITEM: Items of Interest to the Members

- Grady Burnett encouraged ongoing support and appreciation for bus drivers, particularly during high-traffic periods, thanking them for their professionalism in managing rider frustrations.
- Neil Bradshaw inquired about the outlook for ongoing funding and whether there are early signs of reduced grant availability.
- Wally Morgus responded that Mountain Rides is currently applying for grants under the Low-No Program, which remains active. He added that no reductions in public transportation grant funding have been observed to date.
- Wally also welcomed Tom Blanchard, who joined late due to a traffic jam.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

Neil Bradshaw moved to adjourn the meeting, and Melody Mattson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

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Chair Grady Burnett