

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MOUNTAIN RIDES TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 1:00 pm Hailey City Hall, 115 Main Street South, Hailey, ID 83333

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, Martha Burke

ALSO PRESENT:

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

Hernandez

**NOT PRESENT: Muffy Davis** 

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Grady Burnett called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. Kristin Derrig took attendance and determined that there was a quorum present.

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

A brief update was shared noting that Grady Burnett recently visited the Bellevue facility currently under construction and commented that the progress looks great.

#### 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 May 19,
   2025
- b. Approve/file: Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, April 16, 2025
- c. Approve/file: Minutes of Finance & Performance Committee, May 7, 2025
- d. Approve/file: Banking Signatories Resolution
- e. Receive/file Performance Dashboard, April 2025
- f. Receive/file: March 2025 Operating Fun Financial Statements and Bills Paid

g. Receive/file: Report from Director, Fleet, Maintenance & Facilities; Director, Transit Operations; Director, Finance, Human Resources & Administration; Manager, Marketing & Communications; Executive Director

Melody Mattson moved to approve the consent agenda, and Martha Burke seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

# 5. DISCUSSION ITEM: Marketing Plan

The Board discussed a suggestion to issue a comprehensive press release highlighting recent fuel savings from electric buses, zero-fare service, and strong schedule adherence despite construction. The intent is to encourage greater bus ridership during the construction period.

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

- Concerns were raised about traffic flow and emergency vehicle access during ongoing construction.
- A conversation was held regarding the need for a formal protocol to evaluate route expansion requests. This was prompted by a community member's inquiry about extending a route deeper into neighborhoods for school pickups. The Board expressed support for directing staff to develop a standard protocol for handling such requests and suggested incorporating last-mile transportation considerations into future planning.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

Neil Bradshaw moved to adjourn the meeting, and Melody Mattson seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm. Kaly Burnet