

EASTERN SIERRA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Minutes of Friday, August 10, 2018 Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority was called to order at 11:03 a.m. on Friday, August 10, 2018 at the City of Bishop Council Chambers Bishop, California. The following members were present: Bob Gardner, Jeff Griffiths, Kirk Stapp, Jim Ellis, and Dan Tothoroh. Karen Schwartz and Jennifer Halferty were absent. Director Ellis led the pledge of allegiance.

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| Public Comments | None. |
| Approval of Minutes | Moved by Director Ellis and seconded by Director Griffiths to approve the minutes of the Friday July 20, 2018 meeting. Motion carried 5-0, with Director Sauser abstaining and Directors Schwartz and Halferty absent. |
| The Limited Route Update on future service options | <p>Joe Rye reported on the status of the Woodman Turnaround Project and provided an overview of service options in Old Mammoth.</p> <p>Mono County Supervisor Stacy Corless made a public comment in support of reinstating the Limited Route with fewer daily trips.</p> <p>Motion by Director Sauser approve the reinstatement of The Limited fixed route service to the bus stop at the corner of Red Fir and Old Mammoth (for the 2018-19 school year, or until a viable turnaround is available), reducing the Limited to a single bell-time oriented trip in the morning and afternoon on weekdays. Second by Director Gardner. Motion carried 6-0 with Director Schwartz and Halferty absent.</p> |
| Closed Session | <p>Open session was recessed at 11:27 a.m. to convene in closed session with Director Schwartz and Halferty absent to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Public employment, employee recruitment. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)). Position: Executive Directorb. Conference with Labor Negotiators. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6) – Authority designated representatives; Joe Rye, John Vallejo. Bargaining Group; ESTA-EEA. |

Report on closed Session	Closed session adjourned at 12.00 a.m. to reconvene open session. Director Stapp reported that no action was taken during closed session.
Consent Agenda	Motion by Director Gardner and seconded by Director Totheroh to approve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Financial Audit Services Contract and Engagement Letter Approval b. Ratify a Letter of Support for the Town of Mammoth Lakes' ATP Cycle 4 Grant Application. Motion carried 5-0 with Directors Schwartz and Halferty absent.
ESTA Staffing Update	Moved by Director Griffiths and seconded by Director Totheroh to offer a \$500.00 sign on bonus to new drivers and to increase the employee referral bonus to \$500.00, both to be paid in two payments. Motion carried 6-0 with Directors Schwartz and Halferty absent.
Employee Incentive and Training Program	Karie Bentley reported on the Employee Incentive and Training Program.
Employee of the Quarter	Karie Bentley reported that Gene Echterling was awarded Employee of the Quarter for the second quarter of 2018.
The State Of Good Repair Program Project List	Moved by Director Sauser to approve ESTA's Fiscal Year 2018-19 State of Good Repair Project Lists in the cumulative amount of \$69,211 for Preventative Maintenance. Motion was seconded by Director Stapp. Motion carried 6-0 with Directors Schwartz and Halferty absent.
Organizational Assessment & Triennial Audit Recommendations Update	Karie Bentley presented Organizational Assessment & Triennial Audit Recommendations update.
Preliminary Financial Report – FY 2017/18	Karie Bentley presented Preliminary Financial Report – FY 2017/18
Financial Report – FY 2018/19	Karie Bentley presented Financial Report – FY 2018/19
Operations Report July 2018	Karie Bentley presented the July 2018 Operations Report.

Board Member Reports

Director Stapp reported that at the last Town Council Meeting he requested a letter be sent to Mammoth Community Water District regarding the development of the Woodman turnaround and would follow up on the letter.

Director Sauser reported that he believes that Woodman is the only viable option for a turnaround in the Old Mammoth area.

Director Griffith will continue to communicate with Joe Rye & Karie Bentley.

Executive Director Report

Joe Rye reported that ESTA is a great transit system and he will treat it as his own.

Future Agenda Items

None

Adjournment

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. September 21, 2018, in the City of Bishop.

Recorded & Prepared by:



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Eastern Sierra Transit Authority

Minutes approved: *September 28, 2018*

