

MOON TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES
Monday, August 2, 2021

The Moon Transportation Authority (MTA) Board of Directors met virtually by video and phone conference on Monday, August 2, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members:

Michael Hauser – Present (arrived at 6:11 p.m.)
John Hertzner – Present
Mark Scappe - Present
James Vitale – Present (arrived at 6:10 p.m.)
Tom Weaver - Present

Also, in Attendance:

Lynn Colosi, Delta Development Group, Inc.
Austin P. Henry, Esq., Mills & Henry - Excused
Todd Alexander, Esq., Mills & Henry
David Toal, The Toal Law Firm
Brian Krul, TranSystems
Joseph P. Rusiewicz, TranSystems
Mike Hnat, TranSystems
Damon Rhodes, Larson Design Group

Call to Order

Mr. Scappe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Scappe conducted roll call. All Board members were present except Mr. Hauser and Mr. Vitale both of whom arrived several minutes late.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Weaver to ratify the approval of the Minutes for the regular meeting of June 2021. (July MTA Board meeting was not held due to summer vacations.) Second by Mr. Hertzner. Motion passed 3-0.

Financials

a. Ratify the Approval of Payment of May/June 2021 Invoices

Motion by Mr. Hertzler to ratify the approval of payment of May/June 2021 invoices, which were approved by the Board by email in July. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 3-0.

b. Approval of June/July 2021 Invoices

Ms. Colosi presented the invoices for June/July 2021.

Motion by Mr. Hertzler to approve payment of June/July 2021 invoices. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 3-0.

c. 2021 Cash Flow

Ms. Colosi presented an updated 2021 Cash Flow, which illustrates actual year-to-date expenses and forecasts MTA's year-end cash position. According to this month's cash flow and barring any major happenings, it is anticipated that MTA will end the year with slightly more than \$760,000 to carry over into 2022.

d. Community Projects (Congressman Lamb Appropriation)

Ms. Colosi reported that she is keeping in touch with Congressman Lamb's regional office to continually obtain updates about the status of the Infrastructure Bill and next steps to ensure that Market Place District Improvements is included in the final version of the bill.

Project Updates

a. Thorn Run Interchange Project

i. Project Close-Out/Punch List Items

The only remaining outstanding item, according to Ms. Colosi, continues to be delivery and installation of a 6' mast arm for a highway lighting pole on the ramp to Business I-376. The mast arm is a special item that is on back order and anticipated to be delivered in September. Ms. Colosi will keep the Board apprised of progress.

ii. Right-of-Way

Mr. Henry reported that Mills & Henry has been working with the owner of Parcel 10 and District 11 regarding the owner's request to confirm record of the completion of construction, transfer of Parcel 9 (a/k/a "the hump") title and maintenance responsibilities for new access road between Parcels 10 and 14. Mills & Henry requested and received certain forms/documents from Jackie Evans (District 11) to accomplish these tasks, but the forms were inapplicable to tasks at hand and, that said, forms/documents needed to be conformed by Mills & Henry. According to Mr. Henry, the forms were reviewed by Parcel 10 counsel and will be submitted to Ms. Evans for her review and approval prior to execution.

iii. Change Order 45 – Covid Shutdown Expenses

Ms. Colosi informed the Board that PennDOT District 11 reached final settlement with Golden Triangle Construction (GTC) for the expenses GTC incurred during Covid-19 two-week shutdown of the Thorn Run Project site. Based on MTA’s negotiations with District 11, MTA will pay for half (\$33,681.75) the settlement amount (\$67,363.50) from Thorn Run Project underruns. Change Order 45 reflects the settlement amount and MTA’s share of the expense payment.

Motion by Mr. Hauser to approve Change Order 45 consisting of Covid-19 shutdown expenses incurred by Golden Triangle Construction of \$67,363.50 and MTA’s share of \$33,681.75 to be paid to PennDOT District 11 from Thorn Run Interchange Construction Project underruns. Second by Mr. Hertzner. Motion passed 5-0.

b. Stevenson Mill Connector (SMC)/Rouser Road Connector (RRC)/Offsites

Mr. Rusiewicz, Project Engineer, provided updates on RRC, SMC, and Offsites projects. Mr. Rusiewicz reported on the RRC Project that drainage, inlets, and infiltration trench design are underway. He also reported that he will be scheduling a meeting with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to provide a status report and update them on access to their communications tower on Port Vue Drive.

Mr. Henry gave an update on status of the Army’s triangle property (leased from Allegheny County Airport Authority) and the slope easement issue. Mr. Rusiewicz said that TranSystems is reviewing the slope easement issue and Mr. Scappe commented that MTA will not put more money into this Project. Mr. Scappe suggested that Mr. Henry present the slope easement cost to the Army and ask them to pay for it. If not, then MTA will not accommodate the request that the slope easement property be removed from the Army’s lease with the ACAA. The Board conducted a brief discussion and concurred with this direction.

Mr. Rusiewicz reported that TranSystems is concluding Preliminary Engineering for SMC and Offsites projects.

c. Market Place District Improvements Project

Mr. Rhodes, Larson Design Group, Project Executive, provided an update on Preliminary Engineering of Montour Run Road and Market Place Boulevard. According to Mr. Rhodes, design continues to be accelerated and is moving forward. Field survey was completed in June as was subsurface utility work. Phase 1 Environmental as well as wetlands were completed in early July and initial ROW plans was completed July 19th.

MTA’s Board asked Ms. Colosi to contact Dawn Lane, Moon Township manager, to have her set up a meeting with North Fayette, Robinson, and Findlay township managers to update them on Montour Run Road project and discuss financial participation.

Ms. Colosi informed the Board that Watermark, multifamily residential developer at Market Place, received approval from the Township and is working on the Developers Agreement. Watermark anticipates concluding the Developers Agreement in September and starting construction prior to the end of this year. Mr. Henry provided an update on Burns & Scalo's office project – Diamond Ridge, and Mr. Hertzler presented an update on the Smith Packet senior living project. Mr. Hauser inquired as to whether there is a rendering that depicts all three projects. Ms. Colosi said she will check with the Township and developers and get back to Mr. Hauser.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Other Items of Interest

Mr. Weaver noted that CEC Engineers leased the Chevron Building on Cherrington, which is likely to require reconstruction or significant upgrades to accommodate CEC's employees. He asked Ms. Colosi to look for the building permit to evaluate for LERTA RAP revenues.

MTA's Board decided to conduct the September 7th meeting by video/phone conference. Ms. Colosi will advertise the meeting change in Beaver County Times and post on MTA's webpage.

Mr. Hauser reported that he will not be able to attend September's Board meeting due to a conflict with his Parkway West Board duties.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Hertzler at 6:44 p.m. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 5-0.