

MOON TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

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2021 AUTHORITY BOARD

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MINUTES

Monday, February 1, 2021

The Moon Transportation Authority (MTA) Board of Directors met on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting, due to Covid-19, was conducted by video/phone conference rather than the typical meeting location at Moon Township Municipal Building, 1000 Beaver Grade Road, Moon Township, Allegheny County, PA 15108.

Board Members:

Michael Hauser – Present
John Hertzner – Present
Mark Scappe - Excused
James Vitale – Present
Tom Weaver - Present

Also, in Attendance:

Lynn Colosi, Delta Development Group, Inc.
Austin P. Henry, Esq., Mills & Henry
Todd Alexander, Esq., Mills & Henry (arrived late)
David Toal, The Toal Law Firm
Brian Krul, TranSystems
Joe Rusiewicz, TranSystems
Mike Hnat, TranSystems

Call to Order

In Mr. Scappe's absence, Mr. Hertzner led and opened the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Hertzner conducted roll call. All Board members were present except Mr. Scappe, who was excused.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Hauser to approve the Minutes for the regular meeting of January 2021. Second by Mr. Vitale. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Mr. Weaver to approve the Minutes for the Special meeting of January 2021. Second by Mr. Vitale. Motion passed 4-0.

Financials

a. Approval of Payment of December 2020/January 2021 Invoices

Ms. Colosi presented the invoices for December 2020 and January 2021.

Motion by Mr. Hauser to approve payment of December 2020/January 2021 invoices. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 4-0.

b. 2021 Cash Flow and 10-Year Cash Flow

Ms. Colosi presented the 2021 budget with January's expenses and forecasts for a 10-year period. It was noted that, based on current financials, MTA will end the year with approximately \$1.87 million to carry over into 2022, which will allow for continuation of Market Place and Rouser Road Connector projects and debt service payments. Mr. Henry noted that the budget did not include a placeholder for up to \$500,000 for a property settlement related to Thorn Run Interchange project right-of-way acquisition. Ms. Colosi noted that she will make the adjustment, which will subsequently decrease the 2022 carry-over amount.

Taxing Bodies/Partners Update

a. MASD's January Board Meeting

Ms. Colosi reported that she viewed Moon Area School District's (MASD) January 11th Board of Directors meeting, which MASD posts on its website. Ms. Colosi informed MTA's Board that during MASD's meeting, there were misstatements about MTA, its' officials and LERTA RAP processes. Ms. Colosi recommended to the Board that MTA correct this misinformation in a public forum.

The Board discussed the misstatements and ways to improve communications with MASD including drafting a monthly one-page report for submission to MASD and the Township. MTA's Board concurred with the approach and directed Ms. Colosi to complete a February report for submission to the taxing body partners.

b. MASD Request to Meet

Mr. Henry reported that MASD's Solicitor, Jack Cambest, contacted Mr. Henry by letter requesting a meeting between MASD and MTA. A lengthy discussion ensued about intent of the meeting and potential topics of discussion. Mr. Henry recommended that all MTA officials participate in the meeting. MTA's Board concurred.

Mr. Vitale recommended that Ms. Colosi obtain testimonials from developers for use during the meeting with the school district or at subsequent presentations to MASD's board.

Motion by Mr. Vitale to authorize the Solicitor and Executive Director to coordinate a meeting with Moon Area School District as requested by Mr. Cambest, the school district's solicitor. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 4-0.

Project Updates

a. Thorn Run Interchange Project

i. Ratification of PCNs 40-41

Ms. Colosi asked the Board to ratify its' approval of change orders (PCNs) 40 and 41, which were reviewed and approved previously by email. The PCNs were for reconciliation of underruns of \$488,000 and \$40,000, respectively.

Motion by Mr. Vitale to ratify approval of PCNs 40 and 41 as submitted to the Board previously by email. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 4-0.

ii. Project Close-Out and Payment Status

Ms. Colosi reported that Project close-out has not changed since last month's Board report. District 11 is compiling and reconciling final cost overruns and underruns and reviewing the construction contractor's request for additional funds due to unforeseen expenditures incurred during Covid-19 shutdowns. Ms. Colosi will continue to work with District 11 to close-out the Project and prepare for final payment submission sometime over the next few months.

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

Mr. Krul, Mr. Rusiewicz and Mr. Hnat, TranSystems' engineering team, attended the meeting and provided updates on SMC, RRC and Offsites project. Ms. Colosi reported that TranSystems has been issued notice to proceed on final design of RRC, which is utilizing a grant of \$212,000 to offset final design costs.

Mr. Rusiewicz reported that he had received final comments from District 11 on the scoping field view meeting. Mr. Hnat reported on right-of-way concerns along Rouser Road, noting specifically the impacts of any commercial building/property takes.

Mr. Henry provided an update on the .33 acres owned by Allegheny County Airport Authority (ACAA), which is the subject of a lease with the Army. MTA needs the .33 acres for RRC's alignment. Mr. Henry and Mr. Hnat agreed to meet separately to discuss this issue.

Mr. Rusiewicz said he has not heard back yet from the Army about its' fence project and how the Army will be proceeding with it.

Mr. Krul said he contacted the Township about drilling that will be undertaken in the SMC and RRC project area, and that traffic control will be needed to safely accomplish the

drilling.

c. Market Place District Improvements Project

Ms. Colosi informed the Board that MTA and the Township will be meeting with Market Place developers on February 9th to discuss traffic mitigation projects, costs, and financial contributions from developers. Board members are invited to attend.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Other Items of Interest

MTA's Board meetings will resume in-person beginning Monday, March 1, 2021. There were no other items of interest.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Hauser at 7:30 p.m. Second by Mr. Vitale. Motion passed 4-0.