

MOON TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES
Monday, May 1, 2023

The Moon Transportation Authority (MTA) Board of Directors met on Monday, May 1, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Moon Township Municipal Building, 1000 Beaver Grade Road, Moon Township, Allegheny County, PA 15108.

Board Members:

Mark Scappe - Present
John Hertzler – Excused
Tom Weaver - Present
William Kammerer - Present
James Vitale – Present

Also in Attendance:

Lynn Colosi, Delta Development Group, Inc.
Austin P. Henry, Esq., Mills & Henry
Todd Alexander, Esq., Mills & Henry
David Toal, The Toal Law Firm
Joe Rusiewicz, TranSystems
Mike Hnat, TranSystems
Damon Rhodes, Larson Design Group
Allan Wampler, Synergy Development Company

Call to Order

Mr. Scappe opened the meeting at 5:58 p.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Scappe conducted roll call. Except for Mr. Hertzler who was excused, all Board members were present.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Vitale to approve Minutes for the regular meeting of April 2023. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 4-0.

Financial

a. Payment of March/April 2023 Invoices

Ms. Colosi presented Revenues and Expenditures (RnE) for April 2023. No revenues were received in April. Expenditures totaled \$91,857 for administrative and project invoices. Ms. Colosi informed the Board that she submitted a request for reimbursement in April to Allegheny County for the Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund (GEDTF) grant that MTA received for Final Design of Montour Run-Marketplace Reconstruction. As such, Ms. Colosi anticipates the MTA will receive that reimbursement this month.

Motion by Mr. Weaver to pay March/April 2023 invoices as submitted by the Executive Director. Second by Mr. Vitale. Motion passed 4-0.

b. 2023 Cash Flow Update

Ms. Colosi presented an update on the budget and cash flow forecasts. Because April actual expenses were lower than budgeted, cash flow has been positively impacted. Ms. Colosi will continue to monitor the budget closely because the budget dwindles in the Fall as the MTA awaits receipt of most of its LERTA RAP diversions.

Project Updates

a. Thorn Run Interchange Reconstruction

Mr. Henry and Mr. Alexander provided an update on Right-of-Way (ROW) transfer to the Township and PennDOT and declaration to close-out stormwater management maintenance. Mr. Henry reported that said documents were provided to the Township's Solicitor for review. Mr. Henry and Mr. Alexander presented documents for transfer of properties including declaration to Moon Township. Deed and declaration for PennDOT ROW transfer has not been submitted yet to District 11.

Motion by Mr. Weaver to authorize execution of Quit Claim deed and declaration for Right-of-Way transfer to Moon Township. Second by Mr. Vitale. Motion passed 3-0.

(Note: Mr. Kammerer stepped out of the meeting from 6:56 p.m. to 7:03 p.m., concurrent with this discussion and therefore wasn't present for the vote.)

b. Stevenson Mill Connector/Rouser Road Connector/Offsites

Joe Rusiewicz, TranSystems' project engineer, gave a brief update on the projects.

Mr. Rusiewicz presented the outcome of the slope profiles/changes along Port Vue Drive (Rouser Road Connector) alignment. Modifications to the alignment improved the profile and steepened the buffer area by pulling back TCE (temporary construction easement) by 15 to 35 feet.

Ms. Colosi asked Mr. Rusiewicz to develop a comparison matrix that summarizes the changes and

improvements in a simple one-page format.

Ms. Colosi and Mr. Rusiewicz confirmed that work is being accelerated on Stevenson Mill Connector final design. The Board asked Ms. Colosi and TranSystems to advance final design on Offsites as well.

Ms. Colosi summarized the RRC/SMC/Offsites Steering Committee meeting, which was held Monday, April 24th.

c. Marketplace District Improvements

i. Montour Run-Marketplace Reconstruction

Damon Rhodes, project executive, Larson Design Group (LDG), and Ms. Colosi combined to give a brief update on Marketplace District efforts.

Ms. Colosi reported that PennDOT District 11 assigned a Manager to Montour Run-Marketplace Reconstruction project and that the kick-off meeting with District 11 is scheduled for May 12th.

ii. Marketplace Ped/Bike Installation (Hirshinger)

There was no activity on this part of the project. MTA continues to monitor status of the grant application submitted to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) for Hirshinger Pedestrian/Bike Pathway and Conservation Corridor Master Plan.

iii. Marketplace Boulevard Extension

Mr. Rhodes reported on the outcome of the meeting with Allegheny County Airport Authority (ACAA) and how best to coordinate Marketplace Boulevard Extension and the most prudent approach for accomplishing site access and pad ready sites. ACAA, according to Ms. Colosi, said the best way to proceed on Marketplace Boulevard Extension is to undertake a Land Development Plan, which will determine optimal development types, refine roadway alignment, and accomplish an overall grading plan and development layout.

Motion by Mr. Vitale authorizing MTA to undertake the Land Development Plan not to exceed \$60,000. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 4-0.

Other Items of Interest

Mr. Scappe inquired about the status of ACAA's project at Ewing Road at Cherrington Parkway. Ms. Colosi said the project stalled for at least six months because of utility delays, however, has now resumed. Ms. Colosi reported that ACAA has not submitted match contribution invoices to MTA since last year.

Ms. Colosi asked the Board whether the MTA is interested in holding an event for the Community Project/Federal Appropriation for Montour Run-Marketplace Reconstruction. The Board expressed interest in holding an event later this spring/summer.

Ms. Colosi reported that MTA has been asked to participate in several events including a presentation to NAIOP (National Association of Industrial and Office Properties) on June 15th and a real estate podcast this Fall and inquired whether the Board had concerns about MTA's participation in either. The Board concurred with the NAIOP presentation, which is focused on development in the Airport corridor, and asked Ms. Colosi to provide them with more information about the podcast.

Comments from the Public

Mr. Wampler, a developer interested in the SMC project and its progress, was in attendance.

Executive Session – if necessary

Motion by Mr. Vitale at 6:05 p.m. to enter executive session to discuss right-of-way acquisition and property issues. Second by Mr. Kammerer. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Mr. Vitale at 6:54 p.m. to exit executive session. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business before the MTA Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Weaver to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Second by Mr. Vitale. Motion passed 4-0.