

Eastern Upper Peninsula Transportation Authority
3/2/2021
Via Zoom/Teleconference

1. Call to Order:

Board Chair, John Waltman, called the March 2, 2021 meeting of the Eastern Upper Peninsula Transportation Authority Board to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call was taken:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Via Zoom/Teleconference: John Waltman, Phyllis French, Joe Henne, Lynda Garlitz, and Jim German

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

1. Agenda: It was moved and carried by roll call vote:

Trustee German: Yes, Trustee Henne: Yes, Trustee Waltman: Yes, Trustee French: Yes
Trustee Garlitz: Yes. Motion Carried.

MOTION: Lynda Garlitz SECOND: Joe Henne	Approve the agenda as presented with addition of Closed Session to Discuss Employee Conduct
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2. Public Comment:

- A. Dorie France – Comments regarding Neebish Island Ferry Concerns
- B. Marian Miller - Comments regarding Neebish Island Ferry Concerns

3. Anderson Tackman Audit Presentation:

Ken Talsma from Anderson Tackman presented the FY2020 Audit. Discussion.

It was moved and carried by roll call vote:

Trustee German: Yes, Trustee Henne: Yes, Trustee Waltman: Yes, Trustee French: Yes
Trustee Garlitz: Yes. Motion Carried.

MOTION: Jim German SECOND: Joe Henne	Approve the FY2020 Anderson Tackman Audit Findings
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4. Minutes: It was moved and carried by roll call vote:
 Trustee German: Yes, Trustee Henne: Yes, Trustee Waltman: Yes, Trustee French: Yes
 Trustee Garlitz: Yes. Motion Carried.

MOTION: Joe Henne SECOND: Lynda Garlitz	Approve the February 2, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
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5. Finance Director Report:

Akemi Gordon reviewed finances for the month of January. She reported bussing ridership is down but the Rides to Wellness program has covered the loss of ridership with the increase in this program. She reported we currently are not selling Indian trails tickets. She is very pleased with the audit findings.

6. Closed Session. Discussion regarding Roberts Rules. Board is not able to go into closed session due to not meeting Robert's Rule of Order criteria. Lynda Garlitz withdrew motion to go into closed session. JimGerman withdrew support.

7. Director's Report: Executive Director Pete Paramski, P.E. reported on EUPTA activity as follows:

- Camera Contract Update – Camera's up and functional. We are waiting for the Internet Service Provider (ISP) connection for our closed caption viewing. The equipment is installed.
- Facility Design Update – OHM's Geotechnical subcontractor has been on site performing soil borings, sampling, and analysis. Their forthcoming report on their findings will determine what type of foundation design. We have progress meeting with OHM Thursday.
- IBI Update – Status quo as of last meeting, waiting on MDOT approval so that we can solicit vendors and advertise our project.
- Sugar Islander II Drydock will be coming this spring. The specs will include a new steering system. DIII will be used while the Sugar Islander II is in drydock.
- Neebish III contract package has been forwarded to MDOT for review and approval.

8. Pringle Maritime Contract: Lengthy Discussion. It was moved and carried by roll call vote:

Trustee German: Yes, Trustee Henne: Yes, Trustee Waltman: Yes, Trustee French: Yes
 Trustee Garlitz: Yes. Motion Carried.

MOTION: Jim German SECOND: Lynda Garlitz	Table the Maritime Contract until the April 6, 2021 Board Meeting
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Discussion regarding Maritime Memorandum regarding masks. Jim German would like it noted that there seems to be a lack of common sense is a concerning point.

9. Open Meetings Policy: The next policy for the board to review, comment, and add suggestions to bring back to the April 6, 2021 Board Meeting

10. New Business: None

11. Board Member Comments:

- None.

12. Adjourn: It was moved and carried by roll call vote:

Trustee German: Yes, Trustee Henne: Yes, Trustee Waltman: Yes, Trustee French: Yes
Trustee Garlitz: Yes. Motion Carried.

MOTION: Joe Henne SECOND: Jim German	Adjourn the meeting at 11:40 AM
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Lynda Garlitz, Secretary

Kathy Neubert, Recording Secretary

Board Approved: