

DATE: May 21, 2015  
TO: Board Members unable to attend May 20 Regular MVTA Board meeting/TWGs  
FROM: MVTA  
RE: Meeting Summary

Here is a meeting summary of the MVTA May 20, 2015 regular meeting of the MVTA Board of Directors. Supplemental materials and meeting hand-outs are posted under 2015 Board Meeting Packets at <http://www.mvta.com/about/meetings-materials/>.

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by Chair Clint Hooppaw. A quorum was present. MVTA's new intern David Sandberg was introduced and then there were introductions around the room.
2. Motion by Gary Hansen and seconded by Bill Droste to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Chris Gerlach and seconded by Gary Hansen to approve the Consent Agenda with correction to the April meeting minutes noting that Gary Hansen was in attendance. Motion carried on a unanimous roll-call vote.
4. Jane Kansier presented information regarding the Eagan Transit Station project and the need for design and construction work to include a fix to the busway. TKDA is being recommended as the consultant, in the amount of \$24,300 to be paid from MVTA's Operating Budget. Additionally, any fixes to the busway would come from the MVTA operating budget. The lighting, HVAC and other components of the projects will be covered under the New Freedom Grant received from the Met Council. Motion by Gary Hansen, seconded by Chris Gerlach and carried on a unanimous roll-call vote.
5. Beverley Miller reviewed notification regarding MVTA being awarded a grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to expand our Driver Assist System (DAS) project to an 11 additional buses. The MVTA has been awarded \$1.79 million for the project, and MVTA will be working with MTS Systems on the project. MVTA is still working out all contractual details and will present further information to the Management Committee and then for approval by the MVTA Board at the June 24 Board meeting.
6. Jane Kansier reviewed the updated Northern Scott County Service analysis and Evaluation Recommendation recommending that the contract for the study be awarded to SRF in an amount not to exceed \$40,000. This project as part of the merger agreement with Prior Lake and Shakopee and will be funded via start-up funds from that project. SRF is the same team currently working on the Cedar Avenue Implementation Plan Update as well as the MnPass/169 Corridor study. Chris Gerlach also noted that Dakota County would be conducting an East-West study later this year. Jane noted that the parties are talking and hope to find synergies and information sharing between all the studies. Motion by Mike McGuire, seconded by Michael Luce and carried on a unanimous roll-call vote.
7. Clint Hooppaw noted that the MVTA Management Committee and RouteMatch have met several times and he thanked Pepper Harward and Rob Bryans for attending the Board meeting. Negotiating teams are being created and will work toward a mutually agreeable resolution to be presented at the June 24 Board meeting.
8. Beverley Miller reviewed several Personnel Policies that are being considered by the Management Committee. These will be brought to the June 16 Management Committee meeting for additional discussion and are expected to be presented for approval at the June 24 Board meeting. Clint

Hooppaw asked for an update on the FTA Drug & Alcohol Policy and that perhaps the Board could approve that item at this meeting. Robin Selvig reviewed the process of the policy and that this most recent document is based on a template recently provided by the FTA. MVTA has received confirmation by the Met Council that this policy, for the MVTA's one safety-sensitive position, would be accepted. Motion by Jane Victorey, seconded by Gary Hansen and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

9. Beverley Miller reported that the two STA initiatives: demonstration project in the Hwy 169 corridor between Maple Grove and Shakopee, and selection of an elected representative from the STA Board were both approved by the Legislature.
10. Clint Hooppaw briefly reported on the Asamblea event that took place on May 16. There are several pockets of Latinos in the Cedar Knolls and Apple Valley Estates mobile home parks adjacent to the Palomino Hills Park & Ride. They have requested a METRO Red Line stop at Palomino Hills and gathered on May 16 to discuss this and tour the Cedar Corridor. Attending were Apple Valley Mayor Mary Hamann Roland, Dakota County Commissioner Chris Gerlach and Elko New Market Mayor Bob Crawford. City of Apple Valley, Dakota County, Met Council and MVTA staff was also present and Hooppaw expressed his appreciation to Dakota County for providing a translator and to Mary Blanchard, the driver of the tour bus. Discussions will continue.
11. Gary Hansen noted that he stopped by the Cedar Grove Open House on May 14 and learned that there was good turn-out and input collected. He noted that he learned that the project is not expected to be complete until Spring 2017. Kristine Elwood noted that the project is moving forward as fast as possible.
12. Jon Ulrich noted that Scott County passed a ½-cent sales tax that will generate \$6 million a year for projects and that \$1 million per year will be dedicated to transit projects. He said the rationale by the County Board is that with some 10,000,000 visitors each year, about one-third of the tax generated will come from visitors and that this also protects Scott County should the Legislature move forward with a ¾-cent metro wide sales tax (keeping the ½-cent in Scott County).
13. Motion by Bill Droste and seconded by Chris Gerlach to adjourn the meeting at 5:09 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 24 at 4:30 p.m. at the Burnsville Bus Garage, 11550 Rupp Drive, Burnsville.