

# Dakota County Board of Commissioners & Minnesota Valley Transit Authority Board Meeting

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June 15, 2010  
3:30 p.m.  
Burnsville Bus Garage  
11550 Rupp Drive

## MEETING NOTES

Chairs of the meeting, Commissioner Thomas Egan, and Board Member Gary Hansen convened the meeting at 3:30. County Board and MVTA Board members present:

### MVTA

Gary Hansen, City of Eagan  
Bill Droste, City of Rosemount  
Jane Victorey, City of Savage  
Jon Ulrich, Scott County  
Dan Kealey, City of Burnsville  
Will Branning, Dakota County  
Sharon LaComb, City of Apple Valley

### County Board

Kathleen Gaylord, District 2  
Thomas Egan, District 3  
Nancy Schouweiler, District 4  
Liz Workman, District 5  
Paul Krause, District 6  
Will Branning, District 7

### Staff Present

Brandt Richardson, County Admin.  
Lynn Thompson, Physical Dev Dir.  
Mark Krebsbach, Dakota County  
Beverley Miller, MVTA Director  
Robin Selvig, MVTA Staff  
Mike Abegg, MVTA Staff  
Tom Loveland, Apple Valley Staff

Tom Bright, MVTA Staff  
Samatha Porter, MVTA Staff  
Shaun Morrell, MVTA Staff  
Glenn Boden, MVTA Staff  
Jeanne Hoffmann, Dakota County Staff  
Amethyst Cirimo, Dakota County Staff  
Laura Adelman, ThisWeek News  
Dave Peterson, Strib

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by the Co-Chairs, Commissioner Thomas Egan, and Board Member Gary Hansen. Introductions were made.
2. Beverley Miller, MVTA Director, introduced Mike Abegg, MVTA Staff, who updated the Boards on the Driver Assist System (DAS). There were two major components of the DAS - the installation of the DAS on 10 buses by the University of Minnesota, and the DAS simulator that was installed at the Burnsville Bus Garage. The meeting was then moved to the simulator training room where a demonstration of DAS was provided by MVTA staff.
3. Lynn Thompson, Dakota County's Physical Development Division Director, provided information on the audit that is being performed by the Minnesota Office of the Legislative Auditor on "Governance of Transit in the Twin Cities Region." She outlined the four basic

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questions they were asking. The Legislative Auditor recently met with the Suburban Transit Authority. Information from that meeting was shared.

Lynn then briefed on the Metropolitan Council's Regional Transitway Guidelines and explained that the purpose of these guidelines were to facilitate the consistent planning, design, and implementation of Commuter Rail, Light Rail Transit, and Bus Rapid Transit corridors in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. She provided a handout that showed the Technical Committees, process, and tentative schedule. She also provided a listing of the Regional Transitway Technical Committees with the MVTA and/or County staff that serve on the committees.

After discussion by the MVTA Board and County Board members of these issues, Lynn Thompson and Beverley Miller were directed to schedule another joint meeting of the two Boards to meet with the Legislative Auditor to provide input into their report. To prepare for this meeting, Brandt Richardson, Beverley Miller, Lynn Thompson and Mark Krebsbach will meet and develop information and questions to be used for discussion with the Legislative Auditor.

4. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.