

DATE: September 26, 2013
TO: Board Members unable to attend September 25 MVTA Board meeting/TWGs
FROM: MVTA
RE: Meeting Summary

Here is a meeting summary of the MVTA September 25, 2013 regular meeting of the MVTA Board of Directors. Supplemental materials and meeting hand-outs are posted at http://www.mvta.com/MVTA_Board.html.

1. The MVTA Board was called to order at 4:31 p.m. and a quorum was present.
2. There were no public comments.
3. The Agenda and the Consent Agenda were approved.
4. Jon Solberg of MnDOT was introduced to talk about the MnDOT Managed Lane and Cedar Grove Access study. He spoke about the need for additional capacity on Hwy 77 and the options that are being considered and costed out. There will be a public meeting at Eagan City Hall on Oct. 2 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. to review the options as well as the recommendation for access to the Cedar Grove Transit Station. He reported that seven options are “on the table” and questions such as cost per minute saved and the concern for long passenger walks are being reviewed. The presentation is posted on the MVTA website.
5. Tom Bright asked the Board to revisit the Burnsville stairtower renovation project, given the consultant has indicated some additional reinforcement is needed. The Board approved a contract amendment in the amount of \$3,000.
6. There was no New Business.
7. Lori Peterson distributed materials regarding the Executive Director Review Process. There was discussion about the difference between each individual’s average rating and the “overall” rating each Board member assigns to the evaluation. Some Board members may provide a higher overall average because they believe some areas are more significant than others. Lori will provide some additional clarification to Board members for completing this area and the materials will be emailed on Sept. 26. The evaluations are due back to her by **Friday, Oct. 9.**
8. Lois Spear presented the 2014 draft Operating Budget as approved by the Finance Committee. This is a conservative budget, with MVST revenues estimated at 95 percent of projections. The bottom line includes a fund balance increase of \$17,230, but Jane Victorey pointed out that this is still below MVTA policy. Motion by Bill Droste and seconded by Jane Victorey to approve the draft budget as presented. Motion carried on a unanimous roll-call vote. The final budget is expected to be approved in December.
9. Lois Spear then presented the 2014-2019 draft Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as approved by the Finance Committee. The plan calls for \$113.2 million in capital projects; most are unfunded in the mid-to later years. Motion by Bill Droste and seconded by Clint Hooppaw to approve the draft 2014-2019 CIP. Motion carried on a unanimous roll-call vote. The final CIP will be presented in December.
10. Beverley Miller presented the Leadership & Governance Strategic Area as amended after the last Strategic Planning Committee meeting. Motion by Clint Hooppaw and seconded by Bill Droste to adopt the Leadership & Governance section of the MVTA Strategic Plan. Motion carried. The next meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee is Oct. 23 at 3 p.m. at the Burnsville Transit Station.
11. Beverley Miller and Gary Hansen spoke of STA activities. The Executive Directors are meeting on Sept. 26 to perform the annual review of the consultant. Next meeting of the STA Legislative Committee is

Oct. 21 from 11:30-1 at SouthWest Station. Gary Hansen also noted he was asked to participate in a Conversation on transportation sponsored by Minnesota Philanthropy Partners on Friday, Oct. 27.

12. Beverley Miller provided an update to the Board regarding the mandated notification of employees regarding the Insurance Marketplace options. MVTA employees will be as notified on Oct. 1 as required.

13. She also reported that MVTA in among several transit systems approached by the Mn Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) regarding supporting a grant application to install electric vehicle charging stations throughout the region, including at the Apple Valley, Burnsville and Eagan Transit Stations. They are seeking \$4.1 million in bonding for this project. There was some discussion about the location of charging stations and the need to protect parking for those using it. More to come.

14. Motion by Gary Hansen and seconded by Bill Droste to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Next Meeting: Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, Oct. 30 (5th Wednesday) at 4:30 p.m. at the Burnsville Bus Garage, 11550 Rupp Dr., Burnsville.