

EASTERN SIERRA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Minutes of Friday March 18, 2016 Regular Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority met at 12:00.p.m. on Friday March 18, 2016 at the Town of Mammoth Lakes Council Chambers Mammoth Lakes, California. The following members were present: Jo Bacon, Karen Schwartz, Jeff Griffiths, Mark Tillemans Michael Raimondo and Joe Pesci. Director Tim Alpers was absent. Director Pesci led the pledge of allegiance.

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| Public Comment | The Chairperson opened the public comment period at 12:02p.m. There was no one from the public wishing to address the Board. Public comment was closed. |
| Approval of Minutes | Moved by Director Schwartz and seconded by Director Pesci to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 2016. Motion carried 6-0, with Directors Alpers absent. |
| Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) | Gordon Shaw of LSC Transportation Consultants presented an overview of Eastern Sierra Transit's Short Range Transit Plan. The Board directed staff to bring the SRTP back to the Board for adoption next month after time has been provided for additional review and comments to be incorporated into the plan. |
| Bi-Annual Service Analysis | Mr. Helm provided detail of specific routes that are planned to be operated April through September 2016. Moved by Director Raimondo and seconded by Director Pesci to approve the services as proposed. Motion carried 6-0, with Directors Alpers absent. |
| Preliminary FY2016/17 Budget | Mr. Helm provided an estimate of revenues and expenditures for FY 2016/17 budget. The final budget will be presented to the Board in June 2016 for approval. |
| 2016 Federal Certifications and Assurances Approval | Moved by Director Raimondo and seconded by Director Tillemans to approve 2016 Federal Certifications and Assurances. Motion carried 6-0, with Directors Alpers absent. |
| Live and Archived Streaming of Board Meetings | Mr. Helm presented the possibility of streaming and archiving ESTA Board meeting from both the Bishop City Hall and Suite Z in Mammoth Lakes with established technology. The Board directed staff to pursue the streaming of Board meeting, establish the cost and bring back to the Board for approval. |

Real-Time Bus Arrival Prediction System Update	Mr. Helm reported that an order has been placed with Swiftly to provide real-time arrival predictions on the Red Line, Purple Line and Trolley routes in the Town of Mammoth Lakes. The system is expected to operation within a few weeks.
Financial Report	The FY2015/16 Financial Report for the period ending March 15, 2016 was received and filed.
Operations Report	The March 2016 Operation Report was received and filed.
Board Member Reports	<p>Director Raimondo reported robust visitation to the Town of Mammoth Lakes, resulting in a strong TOT.</p> <p>Director Bacon reported an issue with ESTA's website when using an iPad.</p>
Executive Director Report	<p>Mr. Helm stated that an offer has been extended and accepted by the new Bishop Operations Supervisor.</p> <p>Mr. Helm promoted and new app for Town of Mammoth Lakes Councilman Wentworth called "Turn Off That App and Go Outside".</p> <p>Mr. Helm attended USFS planning meeting for the maintenance of the Red's Meadow Road.</p>
Closed Session	Open session was recessed at 1:10 p.m. to convene in closed session with all Board Members present except Director Alpers to consider: Agenda item #16. Conference with Labor Negotiators. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6) – Authority designated representatives; John Helm. Bargaining Groups; EEA, MCEA.
Report on Closed Session	Closed session was recessed at 1:34 p.m. to reconvene in open session with all Board Members present except Director Alpers. There were no items discussed in closed session, which were required by law to be reported on in open session.
Adjournment	The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 1:35p.m. The next regular meeting of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for April 15, 2016 in the City of Bishop.

Recorded & Prepared by:



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Minutes Approved: **April 15, 2016**