

MOON TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES
Monday, May 2, 2022

The Moon Transportation Authority (MTA) Board of Directors met at 6:00 p.m., Monday, May 2, 2022, 1000 Beaver Grade Road, Moon Township, Allegheny County, PA 15108.

Board Members:

John Hertzler – Present
William Kammerer – Present
Mark Scappe - Excused
James Vitale – Excused
Tom Weaver - Present

Also, in Attendance:

Lynn Colosi, Delta Development Group, Inc.
Austin P. Henry, Esq., Mills & Henry
Todd Alexander, Esq., Mills & Henry
David Toal, The Toal Law Firm
Brian Krul, TranSystems
Nate Hokenbrough, Larson Design Group

Call to Order

In the absence of President Scappe, Mr. Hertzler opened the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Hertzler conducted roll call. Mr. Scappe and Mr. Vitale were excused.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Weaver to approve the Minutes for the regular meeting of April 2022. Second by Mr. Kammerer. Motion passed 3-0.

Financials

a. Approval of Payment of March/April 2022 Invoices

Ms. Colosi presented revenues and expenditures, including consultant invoices for the March/April 2022 period. Ms. Colosi specifically noted that, relative to other months, expenditures were low. Ms. Colosi called out the invoice submitted by Mark Turnley and Associates, the first of several invoices that will be submitted for their work on MTA's 2021 Financial Audit.

Motion by Mr. Kammerer to approve payment of March/April 2022 invoices. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 3-0.

b. 2022 Budget and Cash Flow Review

Ms. Colosi presented monthly cash flow, which reflects consultant invoices and expenses paid and revenues received for the month of April. Ms. Colosi again addressed that, depending on the timing of receipt of revenues and final payment to PennDOT for Thorn Run Interchange project and final payment of Thorn Run right-of-way acquisition (Parcel 10), MTA's operating account is getting critically low in July and August.

c. Grant Applications

Ms. Colosi reported on status of the application submitted to the Commonwealth's Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for Local Share Account-Statewide grant program for Final Design of Market Place District Transportation Improvements Project (i.e., Market Place Boulevard and Montour Run Road) and applications for Federal Community Project Funds (i.e., earmarks) submitted to Congressman Lamb and Senator Casey. LSA-Statewide grant awards are scheduled to be announced by November 2022 and CPF awards later this year.

d. 2023 LERTA RAP Forecasts

With execution of diversion commitments from the property owners of Sheetz and Prism at Diamond Ridge, MTA is forecasting about \$1.9 million in LERTA RAP revenues in 2023, a \$1 million increase over 2022. Additional revenues will be used to pay down debt accumulated from Cherrington Parkway and Thorn Run Interchange construction projects and leverage state and federal dollars to undertake construction of Market Place Boulevard/Montour Run Road, and the remaining portfolio of projects directed by the Township and School District.

Project Updates

a. Robert E. Harper Interchange Project (Thorn Run Interchange)

Ms. Colosi reported that administrative close-out of Robert E. Harper Interchange construction remains status quo with close-out anticipated in May, same as reports from previous months.

Mr. Henry said that he spoke with the attorney for Parcel 10 and resolution likely will be accomplished in the next month or so. Mr. Henry also noted that Mills & Henry is still waiting for final approval from PennDOT District 11.

b. Stevenson Mill Connector (SMC)/Rouser Road Connector (RRC)/Offsites

Mr. Krul, SMC, RRC and Offsites project executive for TranSystems, was on-hand to discuss status of the projects. Mr. Krul reported that Ms. Colosi and TranSystems' team will be conducting a meeting May 11th with RRC and SMC stakeholders to provide updates on the projects. The Right-of-Way (ROW) plan for RRC is advancing. Mr. Krul requested that Ms. Colosi initiate efforts to program construction of RRC on the region's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and identify ROW acquisition funds. Mr. Krul discussed with the Board several types of retaining walls for Rouser Road. The Board asked Mr. Krul to provide them with an updated cost of the retaining wall along with finish types and colors prior to making any decisions.

Regarding SMC, Mr. Krul said that SMC (post construction) will become the main through movement in the corridor and that Moon Clinton Road, owned by PennDOT, could be turned back to the Township for ownership and maintenance.

c. Market Place District Improvements Project

Mr. Hokenbrough, Project Engineer with Larson Design Group (LDG), provided the Board with an update on Market Place Boulevard/Montour Run design. Like last month, Mr. Hokenbrough reported on status of the response letter to District 11. Mr. Hokenbrough talked about obtaining and analyzing 2022 traffic volume data for inclusion in the response letter. Ms. Colosi added that MTA, via Moon Township, was able to obtain real-time StreetLight traffic volume data from Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission to compare current volumes on Montour Run with volumes from 2016 and 2019.

Ms. Colosi reported that she will be setting up a meeting with LDG and the property owners along Hirshinger Road to discuss pedestrian/bike accessway solution for Market Place Boulevard.

Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Weaver at 7:24 p.m. to enter Executive Session to discuss projects' Right-of-Way and other potential legal issues. Second by Mr. Kammerer. Motion passed 3-0.

Motion by Mr. Weaver at 7:31 p.m. to exit Executive Session. Second by Mr. Kammerer. Motion passed 3-0.

Other Items of Interest

Mr. Kammerer was assigned - as Moon Area School District's representative on MTA's Board - to report on MTA, its projects, and financials at MASD's board meeting every month.

Ms. Colosi reported that Mark Turnley and Associates started MTA's 2021 Financial Audit and will submit a draft of the audit to Ms. Colosi in early June.

Ms. Colosi also reported on the status of a suggestion by Danielle Zieger, MASD Board President. Ms. Zieger asked Ms. Colosi to develop a website for MTA with associated social media links to publicize more information about MTA to a wider audience. Currently, MTA has a page on Moon Township's website where meeting dates, meeting minutes, financial audits and project information are posted and uses the Township's social media applications for distribution of project information. Ms. Colosi is soliciting website price proposals from designers.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Weaver at 7:32 p.m. Second by Mr. Weaver. Motion passed 3-0.