

Beaver Island Transportation Authority
Minutes of Regular Meeting
August 19, 2014

In Attendance:

BITA: Bob Tidmore, Kitty McNamara, Larry Hansz, Don Vyse

ABSENT: Ed Troutman

BIBCO: None

Others: Elaine West, Mary Cook

Quorum was determined and the meeting called to order at 12:00 pm by Tidmore.

Approval of the Minutes of the July 15, 2014, regular meeting, it was moved by Vyse and seconded by Hansz to approve with corrections. Motion carried

Approval of the Minutes of the July 25, 2014, special meeting, it was moved by Hansz and seconded by Vyse to approve with corrections. Motion carried

Tidmore reviewed agenda and asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Luncheon for Barbara Schwartzfisher added to agenda.

Treasures' report: Interim Executive Director Cook reported supplemental funding received since July 31st report. Estimated expenditures to be around 700,000 for year end. Will not receive September operations income from state. BIBCO has paid in around 100,000 and supplement of 250,000 is to be used as local operation match.

Directors' report: Interim Executive Director Cook reported chair lift is out of order. BIBCO has contacted several companies for RFQs. Problem being lift does not have an outdoor rating. BIBCO has estimated cost of between 15,000 and 30,000.

BIBCO dock resurfacing project complete.

Engine room computer – BIBCO received bids on a special laptop which will block electromagnetic interference.

CVX Marina Expansion – At the Charlevoix City Council meeting August 18, 2014 it was voted to have another public hearing. Next public hearing will be Tuesday, Sept 2nd. Letter to be drafted by Cook and Tidmore with input from Hansz against project.

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Executive Director Position: Interview committee will consist of McNamara and Hansz. Board will review all resumes and make recommendation to committee of who to interview. Potential candidates will be asked the same interview questions. Interview committee will be allowed to negotiate.

Motion made by McNamara to: Appoint McNamara and Hansz as interview committee and grant them permission to negotiate salary/benefits and recommend to board who to hire. Motion seconded by Hansz. Motion carried.

Special Meeting set for September 3, 2014 at 12 noon for interview committee to recommend a candidate to hire for the executive director position.

Luncheon: McNamara updated luncheon for Schwartzfisher will be at the St. James Township Hall. Valerie Schultz and Kim Johnson of MDOT will be attending. Schwartzfisher will be giving them a tour of Island.

No public comment.

Meeting adjourned and Board went into closed session at 12:43PM.

Closed session reported by Chairman Tidmore:

In the closed session the board agreed on who of the applicants to interview and establish guidelines for the interview process.

Motion by Vyse, seconded Hansz to come out of closed session. Motion passed.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Hansz seconded by Tidmore to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary Cook

Interim Executive Director