

MINUTES OF THE RIVER PARISHES TRANSIT AUTHORITY

The Chairperson, B. Petit called the regular meeting to order at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at the St. John the Baptist Parish Council Meeting Room, LaPlace LA.

Members present were B. Petit, A. Harper, H. Banquer, F. Washington and C. Fauchaux were present. C. Clarke was absent. Also present was M. Cazaubon of SCPDC and A. Costello of Veolia.

M. Cazaubon stated they needed to be corrected as published. We failed to publish, it was moved by C. Clarke, seconded by H. Banquer to approve the accounts payable for April. Motion carried. It was on the recording but failed to pick it up on the typed copy. It was moved by C. Fauchaux, seconded by H. Banquer to approve the minutes of the Thursday, April 22, 2010 meeting as published with the amendment stated above. Motion carried.

It was moved by H. Banquer, seconded by A. Harper to approve the accounts payable for June. Motion carried.

Costello gave a transit operator's report. A total of 1425 riders were transported in the month of June, which is about 71.25 passengers a day. There was one preventable accidents recorded but no injuries or damages. The accident was involving a trash can and A. Costello will follow up to the board with a letter. There was one complaint in the month of May. The complaint was investigated. A. Costello introduced Mr. Tony Small, ATU President in Jefferson Parish. He gave a brief introduction of himself and looks forward to working with us. A. Costello will forward peak hours to B. Petit.

Mr. David Stagni from Stagni & Company, LLC presented the audit report. There were no instances of material problems.

Discussion ensued regarding the radio communications with St. James.

Discussion ensued on passbooks and coupons.

It was moved by H. Banquer, seconded by A. Harper to participate in a Memorandum of Understanding between St. James and RPTA with regards to transportation services. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued on a routing program.

It was moved by C. Fauchaux, seconded by A. Harper to approve the extension of the intergovernmental agreement with St. Charles and St. John the Baptist until December 2 and December 3 respectfully 2011. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding DBE Goals for 2010-2011.

Discussion ensued regarding the status of the RPTA Capital Grants.

The board read a congratulatory letter from Senator Mary Landrieu. M. Cazaubon read the letter as follows, "Dear Brent, Congratulations to you and the Board of Director of the River Parishes Transit Authority (RPTA) on the one year anniversary of a successful system. My staff and I were please to help secure state and federal grants to get this project off the ground. Thank you for recognizing our efforts at your celebration ceremony. In one year, the River Parishes Transit Authority has transported more than 17,000 riders on roughly 13,300 one-way trips throughout the region with an average of 56-70 trips per day. I am glad to have witnesses the many level of government that worked together on this project. Your clientele base is growing, and it is clear your hard work has paid off. Again, congratulations to all parties involved with the River Parishes Transit Authority.

It was moved by C. Faucheaux, seconded by H. Banquer to approve Resolution No. 02-10 authorizing the filing of an application with the regional planning commission for a section 5317 of SAFETEA-LU, New Freedom.

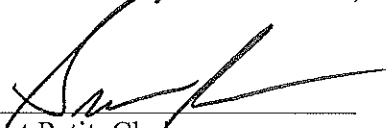
It was moved by A. Harper, seconded by F. Washington to approve Resolution No. 03-10 authorizing the filing of an application with the Regional Planning Commission for a Section 5316 of SAFETEA-LU, Job Access Reverse Commute.

Discussion ensued regarding the complaint procedures, updated internal controls, ethics policy and the alcohol and drug free workplace policy.

It was stated that Mr. Robert Boudreaux resigned from the RPTA board and that St. James Parish Council is working on a replacement.

Mr. Donnie Small asked to address the Board. He spoke to them about finding a dedicated funding source and not relying on grants. F. Washington stated that St. James Parish has a millage to support public transit. Discussion ensued.

It was moved by C. Faucheaux, seconded by A. Harper to adjourn. Motion carried.



Brent Petit, Chairperson

8/12/10
Date