

**GREATER NEW HAVEN TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, January 8, 2020 10:00 a.m.**

**HELD AT GREATER NEW HAVEN TRANSIT DISTRICT MULTIPURPOSE ROOM  
1014 SHERMAN AVENUE  
HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT**

**In Attendance:**

**Directors:** Bethany - *Lee Grannis (via teleconference)*; Branford - *Dagmar Ridgway (via teleconference)*; East Haven - *Michelle Duprey*; East Haven - *Wendy Bellmore*; Hamden - *Dan Kops*; New Haven - *Doug Hausladen*; North Haven - *Mike Freda (via teleconference)*; and Woodbridge - *Judy Young*.

**Not in Attendance:**

**Directors:** Branford - *Art Pappas*; North Branford - *Mary Bigelow*; Orange - *Charlie Smyth*; and West Haven - *Sharon Mancini*

**GNHTD Administrative Staff:** Mario Marrero, Glen McGough, and Andre Welsh

**Guests:** Richard Andreski (CTDOT Bureau Chief, Public Transportation), Dennis Solensky (CTDOT Transit Administrator), and Niclas Ferland (counsel to the District)

**Call to Order:** Co-Chairperson Hausladen called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

**Public Comment:** There were no members of the public in attendance who wished to be heard.

**Approval of Minutes:** *On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Wendy Bellmore, the meeting minutes from October 23, 2019 and Executive Committee meeting minutes from December 30, 2019 were unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*

**ConnDOT Visit:**

Bureau Chief Richard Andreski opened by providing an overview of the vision and partnership for GNHTD. Rich also provided a status update on the statewide transportation program, transportation funding, the departments 5-year capital investment program, and the decline in revenues. He also discussed next steps in the Move NH study and collaboration with GNHTD.

Dennis Solensky, Transit Administrator, discussed the ongoing project to construct our operating facility. The state has an aggressive short- and long-range plan to improving facilities in the state but the state is looking at ways to maximize their operating funds.

The state presented an opportunity that presented itself recently regarding another property that became available across the street from the current CTTransit facility at 30 Edmund St. in Hamden. Before continuing to move our existing project forward in North

Haven, the ConnDOT would like to explore the feasibility of our project moving to 30 Edmund St in Hamden to capitalize on synergies between the two properties, especially as electrification of transit facilities becomes more prevalent.

Discussion ensued regarding the pros/cons of this option.

### **Resolutions:**

- a. *On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Judy Young, resolution 1920.104 Approving Appointment of Interim Executive Director and Establishing Compensation was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*
- b. *On a motion by Michelle Duprey, seconded by Dan Kops, resolution 1920.103 Establishing Search Committee, consisting of the Executive Committee and Board Chair, to Lead Search and Recruitment Effort to Appoint New Executive Director was amended to include board member Michelle Duprey and unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*
- c. *On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Judy Young, resolution 1920.105 Establishing Real Estate Development Committee, consisting of Executive Committee and Board Chair, to Lead on Building Project at District's Property Located at 333 State Street and 460 Sackett Point Road, North Haven, CT was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*
- d. *On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Wendy Bellmore, resolution 1920.101 Approving the Connecticut Drug And Alcohol Testing Consortium Drug And Alcohol Testing Policy Dated July 1, 2019 unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*
- e. *On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Wendy Bellmore, resolution 1920.102 Adopting A Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2020 unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*
- f. *On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Judy Young, resolution 1920.106 Establishing Member Town Dues FY2021 unanimously approved by a vote of 8 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*

### **Reports of the Officers:**

Mr. Marrero provided the Quarterly Operations Report and Mr. McGough provided the Quarterly Treasurer's Report. Discussion ensued regarding operating statistics, departmental productivity, updates on utilization of the Amble app for ADA riders and actual expenses/revenues versus budgetary projects. Agency wide revenues and trends to date are within budgetary projections.

*There being no further discussion, Doug Hausladen moved acceptance of the Quarterly Operations Report and Quarterly Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Dan Kops and unanimously approved by a vote of 7 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstentions.*

### **Executive Director's Report:**

Mr. Marrero provided an update on the demolition in North Haven. The rear building is complete, and the front building is nearing completion.

**Adjournment:** *There being no further business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:49 a.m.*