

# **Greater New Haven Transit District**

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# GREATER NEW HAVEN TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING-SPECIAL MEETING WEDNESDAY May 18, 2022 10:00 a.m. VIRTURALLY HELD ON ZOOM

#### In Attendance:

**Directors:** Bethany- Craig Riegelhaupt; Hamden - Dan Kops; Hamden - Melinda Tuhus; Branford - Dagmar Ridgway; North Branford - Mary Bigelow; North Haven - Michael Freda; Orange- Steve Hechtman; West Haven- Ruth Torres; Woodbridge - Judy Young.

**GNHTD Administrative Staff:** Mario Marrero, Aida Lopez, Glen McGough, Andre Welsh, and Anthony Bethune.

**GUEST:** Niclas Ferland (Counsel to the District)

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Bigelow called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**Public Comment:** There were no members of the public in attendance.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

**December 1, 2021 (Special Executive Committee Meeting)** On a motion by Dagmar Ridgeway, seconded by Dan Kops, the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**December 8, 2021 (Executive Committee Meeting)** On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Dagmar Ridgeway, the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**January 12, 2022 (Board of Directors Meeting)** On a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Dagmar Ridgeway, the meeting minutes were approved with 1 abstention.

**March 9, 2022 (Executive Committee Meeting)** On a motion by Dagmar Ridgeway, seconded by Dan Kops, the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.



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#### **Resolutions:**

- **a. Resolution 2122.107** On a motion by Michael Freda, seconded by Dan Kops, resolution 2022.107 Authorizing the Executive Director to Enter into Grant Agreements was unanimously approved.
- **b. Resolution 2122.108 -** On a motion by Dagmar Ridgway, seconded by Dan Kops, resolution 2022.108 Authorizing the Filing of GNHTD's Title VI Plan was approved with 1 abstention.
- **c. Resolution 2122.109** On a motion by Michael Freda, seconded by Judy Young, resolution 2022.109 Authorizing the Filing of GNHTD's PTASP was approved with 1 abstention.
- **d. Resolution 2122.110** On a motion by Michael Freda, seconded by Melinda Tuhus, resolution 2122.110 Approving the FY 2023 Annual Agency Budget was unanimously approved.

## **Reports of the Officers:**

Anthony Bethune provided the Quarterly Operations Report. A discussion ensued regarding the Amble app users.

Glen McGough provided the Quarterly Treasurer's Report.

There being no further discussion, Michael Freda moved acceptance of the Quarterly Operations Report and Quarterly Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Dan Kops and unanimously approved.

#### **Departmental Reports:**

#### **Human Resources**

Glen McGough gave highlights of the HR report.

### **Capital and Procurement**

Glen McGough gave highlights of the Procurement report, upcoming projects, and bids.



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## **Safety and Security (Risk Management)**

Andre Welsh gave highlights of the D&A program and the Workers Compensation program.

## **Facility Maintenance**

Andre Welsh gave highlights of the Facility report.

#### **Fleet Maintenance**

Mario Marrero gave highlights of the Fleet report.

# **Executive Director's Report:**

Mario Marrero started by thanking his staff for the good work done. Mr. Marrero provided updates on the continued impacts of COVID-19 on the operation, the Joint vehicle bid, and the new vehicles ordered. Mr. Marrero mentioned the agency continues to hold the monthly safety meetings as part of the PTASP plan and continues to participate in the ConnDOT quarterly meetings. He also mentioned the Regulatory Compliance Officer continue to conduct internal departmental audits and mentioned the agency's participation in a Customer Experience Action Plan and Interview conducted by ConnDOT. Mr. Marrero shared with the Board the ongoing recruitment efforts of the agency, he spoke about new initiatives, workforce development; and provided facility updates.

# **Report of Committees**

A discussion ensued regarding the 333 State Street and the Edmund Street properties next steps. The Board commended Mr. Marrero and his staff for an outstanding job.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m. on a motion by Dan Kops, seconded by Dagmar Ridgeway.