

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, May 10, 2017  
County Commissioners Board Room  
601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 2nd Floor

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Public Transportation Commission was called to order by Chairman Al Higginbotham at 9:03 a.m. The following members were present:

<i>Al Higginbotham, Chair</i>	<i>Board of County Commissioner</i>
<i>Nate Kilton, Vice-Chair</i>	<i>Plant City</i>
<i>Luis Viera</i>	<i>City of Tampa</i>
<i>Lesley "Les" Miller</i>	<i>Board of County Commissioner</i>
<i>Ken Hagan</i>	<i>Board of County Commissioner</i>
<i>Kevin Jackson</i>	<i>Transitional Executive Director</i>
<i>Cindy Oster</i>	<i>Senior Assistant County Attorney</i>
<i>Kimberly Kerwin</i>	<i>Administrative Specialist II</i>

**II. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & AGENDA**

*The invocation and pledge was given by Commissioner Miller, and the swearing in of witnesses was administered by Kimberly Kerwin.*

*Councilman Viera motioned to approve the agenda, it was seconded by Commissioner Kilton.*

**III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

*Audience participation was given 45 minutes (3 minute per individual). The below individuals spoke: (Please Visit: <http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/index.aspx?nid=274/> to purchase a copy of the video or download a copy of the captioning for full details.)*

- A. Jordan Miller*
- B. Louis Minardi – Pass until item regarding Mr. Freeman*
- C. Thomas Smith*
- D. Brook Negusei*

**IV. CONSENT ITEMS**

*Councilman Viera motioned to approve consent items, it was seconded by Commissioner Miller, and unanimously approved. (Closed)*

**V. ATTORNEYS REPORT**

- A. Status Update – Drive Society, Inc., et al v. PTC*

*Mrs. Oster advised the board of a "Status Conference scheduled for May 30, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., and a Hearing on the motion for Summary Judgement scheduled for June 15, 2017, at 9:00 a.m."*

- B. Public Records Lawsuit - Update*

*Mrs. Oster advised the board "litigation is moving forward and the hearing is scheduled for this Friday at 8:45 a.m.". Mrs. Oster offered "if any members of the commission would like to attend that hearing it's in front of Judge Nielsen at the George Edgecomb Courthouse", May 12, 2017.*

**VI. DIRECTORS REPORT**

*Mr. Jackson requested Mr. Ray Freeman with Yellow Cab Company up to the dais; Mr. Jackson “wanted to personally recognize and commend you for your actions yesterday in assisting the Tampa Police Officer who was in danger during apprehension of a suspect”. Mr. Minardi of Yellow Cab Company expressed to the board they are very proud of Mr. Freeman for risking his life to help an Officer. Mr. Minardi also recognized Ms. Delores Lyle who assisted Mr. Freeman in detaining the suspect.*

**A. FY 17 Permit Fee Collection - Update**

*Mr. Jackson informed the board since the approval of the permit fee reduction during the March meeting, 762 vehicle permits have been paid, leaving 114 outstanding.*

**B. PTC Transition – Update**

*Mr. Jackson briefed the board that the Bills have passed through the Legislation Session. “The local Bills at the Governor’s office waiting for signature or if not then it’ll become Law July 1”. The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is scheduled to discuss the PTC transition during the May 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.*

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. TNC Emergency Rules**

*Commissioner Miller motioned to approve the emergency rules, it was seconded by Commissioner Hagan, and unanimously approved.*

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Corcoran & Johnston**

*Mr. Jackson informed the board three months of the FY 17 budget went towards closing FY 16. PTC is requesting approval to move \$24, 000 in order to continue to pay the FY 17 contract for Corcoran & Johnston.*

*Commissioner Hagan motioned to approve the additional \$24,000, it was seconded by Commissioner Miller, and unanimously approved. (Closed)*

**B. Waiver Request**

**1. Affari Transportation**

*Commissioner Miller motioned to approve the waiver request of Rule 1-8.001 (4) (c) & Rule 1-8.001 (4) (e), it was seconded by Councilman Viera. (Closed)*

**C. Public Hearing**

**1. Van Certificate**

**a. Viaje Express Corp.**

*Commissioner Kilton motioned to approve hearing officer’s recommendation for a company certificate and 1 van permit, it was seconded by Commissioner Miller, and unanimously approved. (Closed)*

**D. Public Vehicle Driver’s License – Applicant Review**

**1. Jose Cruz – Owner of DTS Recovery Corp.**

*Commissioner Miller motioned to approve Mr. Cruz’s PVDL, it was seconded by Councilman Viera, and unanimously approved. (Closed)*

**2. Jose Robles – Represented by Jose Cruz, DTS Recovery Corp.**

*Commissioner Miller motioned to approve Mr. Robles’s PVDL, it was seconded by Councilman Viera, and unanimously approved. (Closed)*

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Higginbotham adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

*Kimberly Kerwin*

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**Public Transportation Commission**

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