

**MINUTES**

**Board of Trustees**

Madison County Mass Transit District  
8:30 a.m., Thursday, May 27, 2021  
One Transit Way, Granite City, Illinois

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Schmidt led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Call to Order: Roll Call**

Chairman Jedda called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: ALLEN P. ADOMITE, ANDREW F. ECONOMY, RONALD L. JEDDA, and J. KELLY SCHMIDT.

MEMBERS ABSENT: CHRISTOPHER C. GUY.

OTHERS PRESENT: ANDREW CARRUTHERS, LEGAL COUNSEL, STEVEN J. MORRISON, ACT; AMANDA SMITH, ACT; MICHELLE DOMER, ACT; JOE DOMER, ACT; GREGG BOHENSTIEHL, ACT; ROB SCHMIDT, ACT; SUMMER MOORE, ACT; DEBBIE BARRON, ACT; ERIC FOSTER; ROB DORMAN; CATHERINE DEMERS, KOTOMI DORMAN, NANCY TYLER, LEE WATHAN, DON SAWICKI, DOUGLAS HULME, CHRIS MODRUSIC, PONTOON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND RICH SCHARDAN, PONTOON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT.

**III. Public Comments:**

Douglas Hulme, resident of Maryville, addressed the board with his concerns regarding Michael Walters, County Board member and MCT lobbyist.

Rob Dorman, resident of Maryville, voiced his concerns about Michael Walters.

Lee Wathan concurred with Hulme and Dorman's' remarks about Michael Walters.

**IV. Consideration of the minutes of the April 29, 2021, regular meeting for inclusion in the District's official records.**

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SCHMIDT, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR INCLUSION IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE DISTRICT.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE            AYE  
ANDREW F. ECONOMY        AYE  
RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT           AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

**V. Financial:**

A. Payments and Claims: Consideration of the March 2021 claims for payment:

Managing Director Steven J. Morrison presented the payments and claims report.

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ECONOMY, TO APPROVE THE PAYMENTS AND CLAIMS, EXCLUDING THE PAYMENTS AND CLAIMS TO THE AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY TRANSIT.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE            AYE  
ANDREW F. ECONOMY        AYE  
RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT           AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ECONOMY, TO APPROVE THE PAYMENTS AND CLAIMS TO THE AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY TRANSIT.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE            AYE  
ANDREW F. ECONOMY        AYE  
RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT           ABSTAINED

SCHMIDT ABSTAINED. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

B. Monthly Financial Report: Review of the monthly financial records as of April 30, 2021.

Managing Director Steven J. Morrison presented the monthly financial report.

TRUSTEE SCHMIDT MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ADOMITE, TO APPROVE OF THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF APRIL 30, 2021.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE            AYE  
ANDREW F. ECONOMY        AYE  
RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT          AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Update on RFP for Broker Services

Managing Director Steven J. Morrison provided an update on the RFP for Broker Services.

**VI. Transit Service:**

A. Managing Director's Report, Steven J. Morrison

Fixed Route carried eighty-six thousand two hundred seventy-two (86,272) boardings in April, which is a three (3) percent increase from the previous April. Paratransit averaged hundred and thirty (130) to hundred and fifty (150) boardings per day. The May Service change, effective May 9, included a fare restructure, a \$1.00 token, and transportation services to Gateway TradePort. The 2021 Summer Youth Pass allows local youth grades K-12 to ride free from Memorial Day until Labor Day. The Summer Youth Pass was distributed to nine thousand (9,000) students.

The RideFinders commuter program is increasing as employers re-open. Holten Meat located in East St. Louis has formed two (2) vanpools. The proposal for the RFP for Ride Finders Strategic Marketing Services was issued, and four (4) responses were received.

Morrison updated the board on the MCT Trails projects. The MEPRD funded I.T. Beltline preliminary plans have been submitted. The IDNR funded project, Pleasant Ridge Park Connector culvert box was delayed. The Nickel Plate Trail paving project from IL-143 to Blackburn pre-final plans were reviewed, and the bid documents were expected any day. The Silver Creek Trail, formerly Troy Trail, that runs along US-40 was pending environmental clearance. The Schoolhouse Trail tunnel under IL-157 preliminary plans were being reviewed. The IDNR funded project to raise the Confluence Trail above the fifty-year flood line continues to be developed by the consultants. The MCT Wayfinding project, pilot launch at Mont Junction is receiving fantastic feedback from the public and would be deployed system-wide soon.

The Eastgate Park & Ride was at seventy percent (70%) completion. A walkthrough was conducted last week.

Chairman Jedda added that Madison County Transit District provides transportation services within Madison County and to St. Clair County and

downtown St. Louis. RideFinders is a shared ride program operated by Madison County Transit for the nine (9) county region, including the St. Louis area.

B. Proposal for August 2021 Service Change

Manager of Planning and Scheduling, Joe Domer, presented the proposed August 2021 Service Change.

TRUSTEE SCHMIDT MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ADOMITE, TO APPROVE OF THE PROPOSED AUGUST 2021 SERVICE CHANGE.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE	AYE
ANDREW F. ECONOMY	AYE
RONALD L. JEDDA	AYE
J. KELLY SCHMIDT	AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

C. TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ECONOMY, TO APPROVE OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

21-45 AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION AND/OR AMENDMENT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE LEASE AND/OR MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE	AYE
ANDREW F. ECONOMY	AYE
RONALD L. JEDDA	AYE
J. KELLY SCHMIDT	AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE OMNIBUS MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SCHMIDT TO APPROVE OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS:

D. 21-46 AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE FACILITY PHASE I DESIGN SERVICES

E. 21-47 AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE FACILITY PHASE II DESIGN SERVICES

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE	AYE
ANDREW F. ECONOMY	AYE

RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT            AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- F. TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SCHMIDT TO APPROVE OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

21-48    AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE            AYE  
ANDREW F. ECONOMY        AYE  
RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT            AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- G. Proposed IL-111 Transfer Station

Executive Director Steven J. Morrison presented the proposed IL-111 Transfer Station.

Pontoon Beach Police Chief, Chris Modrusic also voiced support for the proposed IL-111 Transfer Station.

**VI. Other Business:**

- A. TRUSTEE ECONOMY MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SCHMIDT, TO APPROVE OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

21-44    AUTHORIZING A DONATION AGREEMENT AND ACCESS EASEMENT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF TROY, ILLINOIS, AND THE MADISON COUNTY MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE            AYE  
ANDREW F. ECONOMY        AYE  
CHRISTOPHER C. GUY        AYE  
RONALD L. JEDDA            AYE  
J. KELLY SCHMIDT            AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

**VII. Executive session to discuss the acquisition or lease of real property under (5), and litigation under (11) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2(c)).**

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ECONOMY, TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE ACQUISITION OR LEASE

OF REAL PROPERTY UNDER (5), AND LITIGATION UNDER (11) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (5 ILCS 120/2(C)).

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE	AYE
ANDREW F. ECONOMY	AYE
RONALD L. JEDDA	AYE
J. KELLY SCHMIDT	AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SCHMIDT, TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE	AYE
ANDREW F. ECONOMY	AYE
RONALD L. JEDDA	AYE
J. KELLY SCHMIDT	AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

**VIII. Adjournment:**

TRUSTEE ADOMITE MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SCHMIDT, TO ADJOURN.

A ROLL CALL VOTE FOLLOWED:

ALLEN P. ADOMITE	AYE
ANDREW F. ECONOMY	AYE
RONALD L. JEDDA	AYE
J. KELLY SCHMIDT	AYE

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

