

Beaver Island Transportation Authority
Approved Special Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2020
12:00 pm

In Attendance:

BITA: Bob Tidmore, Kevin McDonough, Mark Engelsman, Maura Turner

BIBCO call in: Tim McQueer

Others: Mary Cook

Quorum was determined, and meeting called to order by Tidmore at 12:01 pm.

Procedures for teleconference due to COVID-19

Additions to Agenda: Governor's Executive Order - Masks

Motion by Englesman to approve the Agenda. Seconded by Turner. Roll call: Tidmore-yes, Engelsman – yes, Turner – yes, McDonough – yes. Motion carried.

Cook reviewed motions passed at the July 14, 2020 meeting.

Ratify Decisions from July 14, 2020 Meeting: Motion by McDonough to ratify all decisions/motions made at the July 14, 2020 BITA regular board meeting. Seconded by: Englesman. Roll call: Tidmore-yes, Engelsman – yes, Turner – yes, McDonough – yes. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of regular meeting July 14, 2020 approved by Englesman. Seconded by Turner. Roll call: Tidmore-yes, Engelsman – yes, Turner – yes, McDonough – yes. Motion carried.

Governor's Executive Order – Masks

Cook read the following from the July 14, 2020 minutes:

Governor released another executive order on Friday requiring face coverings for all businesses and public transportation. BIBCO has additional signage up and is also making additional announcements on the vessel throughout the trip to wear a mask and social distance. McQueer has been in contact with Cook concerning crew procedures and additional signage. Ten sandwich board signs were purchased and are at various points on the docks. Disinfectant dispensers with stands are ordered and are on a waiting list. Hand sanitizers are placed in several locations on the vessel and dock. BIBCO has a team of cleaners on the vessel between each trip. McQueer stated the boarding announcement includes more detail on masks and distancing. An announcement is made several times during the trip and the volume has been turned up. Those not cooperating could be denied riding. Other ferry systems are also using these guidelines to comply with the state.

Correspondence: Kirk McBride - numerous

Public Comment: Kirk McBride by email had questions/comments on compliance and enforcement of governor's executive orders.

Tidmore thanked the BITA Board members for their service.

Motion to adjourn by Turner at 12:11 pm. Seconded by McDonough. Roll call: Tidmore-yes, Engelsman – yes, Turner- yes, McDonough – yes. Motion carried.

Mary Cook
Executive Director