

BEAVER ISLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
Regular Board Meeting  
September 13, 2022  
Minutes

Attendance:

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

BITA Absent: None

BIBCO: None

Others: Mary Cook, Nancy Ferguson

Engelsman called meeting to order 12:01 pm. Quorum determined.

**Approve Minutes:**

Motion by Tidmore to approve August 9, 2022, regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Hansz. Motion carried.

**Additions to Agenda:** Move public comment after executive director review.

**Agenda Approval:** Motion by Turner to approve agenda. Seconded by McDonough. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Motion by McDonough to approve August 2022 disbursements and journal entries. Seconded by Turner. Motion carried.

**Director's Report:**

A company doing captain training will be filming fire and safety drills on board the boat. These will be used in their curriculum and BIBCO will receive copies for future training. Antenna on the vessel was replaced. FTA grant for a new ferry and dock engineering was submitted September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Still working on gathering letters of support. Engagement letter for audit has been signed. The grant expiring in January has a one-year extension approval. The final drydock bill and BIBCO reimbursement will come out of these funds. The amended third-party document for the excess drydock costs has been signed by both parties and waiting on MDOT approval. Wrapping up the RFP for the propulsion study and should have to MDOT at the beginning of next week. FY23 amended budget process is in final stages. Matt Preisser of EGLE coordinated a meeting with MDOT and other members of various organizations to discuss our future plans with the vessel and dock. Met with a sustainability group to discuss tentative plans for a new vessel.

**Fuel Surcharge:**

Motion by Tidmore to continue with the fuel surcharge of 2.25 each way per passenger, 8.50 per vehicle each way, 8% on each non-standard vehicle, and 8% on freight. To be reevaluated at the December 2022 meeting. Seconded by Hansz. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Kirk McBride

**Other Pertinent Business:** None

**Executive Director Review:**

Motion by Turner to go into closed session at 12:51 pm for a personnel review. Seconded by McDonough. Motion carried.

Motion by Tidmore to come out of closed session at 1:04 pm. Seconded by Turner. Motion carried.

Motion by Hansz to increase executive director's salary by 9%. Seconded by Turner. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjourn:** Motion by Tidmore to adjourn at 1:25 pm. Seconded by Engelsman. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Maura Turner  
Secretary/Treasurer