

C. Faucheux called the meeting to order at approximately 11:30am on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, within the St. John the Baptist Council Chambers, 1811 W. Airline Highway, Laplace, LA 70068. Members present included G. Monti, K. Bourgeois, S. Jasmin, H. Banquer and C. Faucheux thus achieving a quorum. Members not in attendance included E. Broussard, III. Also present were S. Van Sickle (Transdev) and A. Thompson (Solutient).

***C. Faucheux asked all board members to review the minutes from the April 17, 2023, meeting. It was moved to accept by G. Monti and seconded by K. Bourgeois. Motion carried unanimously.***

There were no comments from the public.

A Thompson presented the April 2023 Secretary/Treasurer's Report. Profit and Loss through April 30, 2023 is (\$10,675.25). Profit and Loss from inception through April 30, 2023, is \$247,108.20. The Statement of Cash Flows shows total cash as of April 30, 2023, and inception through April 30, 2023, to be \$363,999.08. The collateralization report was included in the financial packet.

***C. Faucheux requested a motion approving the April 2023 Secretary/Treasurer's Report. It was moved by K. Bourgeois and seconded by S. Jasmin. Motion carried unanimously.***

A. Thompson listed the following checks for accounts payable: Solutient, Invoice No. 12365 (April Services), \$6,250, Check No. 2416; Transdev, Invoice No. 401-2023 (April Services), \$92,259.48, Check No. 2417; Laplace Newsmedia, Invoice Nos. 302258/0223 & 90366/0223, (RFP, minutes, bid) \$338.20 (includes \$298.96 from check No. 2407 which was lost in the mail), Check No. 2418; APTA, (Operations RFP), Invoice No. RIVERPRISHTA, \$589, Check No. 2419; and Postmaster, PO Box, \$176, Check No. 2420.

***C. Faucheux requested a motion for approval of the accounts payable. Approval of the accounts payable was moved by H. Banker and seconded by G. Monti. Motion carried unanimously.***

Operations Report for April 2023. The number of passengers transported in April was 1,439. The daily average was 57.56 riders. Average scheduled trips per hour was 1.44. There were 15,196 miles traveled. The ADA denial rate was 0%.

Thompson discussed the language regarding negotiations within the RFP for auditing services pointing out language allowing negotiations with the highest score. It was decided to contact B&P, the proposer with the highest score, about the approximate hours needed to complete the tasks annually.

***C. Faucheux requested a motion to conditionally approve B&T as long as their negotiated rate will meet the board budget and that if B&T does not meet budget, the board will contact DRC. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by S. Jasmin.***

S. Van Sickle directed the board to letters to the: St. John the Baptist Parish President; Louisiana AFL-CIO; River Area Council – Chamber of Commerce; and the St. John Business Council regarding RPTA's need for 2 new board members.

***C. Faucheux requested a motion to approve sending the letters regarding filling board the board vacancies to the St. John the Baptist Parish President, the Louisiana AFL-CIO, the River Area Council – Chamber of Commerce, and the St, John Business Council. Approval was moved by H. Banquer and seconded by K. Bourgeois.***

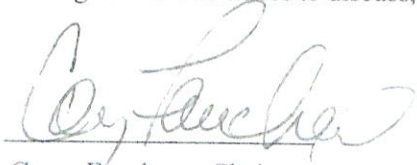
S. Van Sickle informed the board that RPTA's enabling legislation allowed the board to change the dates/times of regularly scheduled board meetings via voting. Given the fact that there are two member vacancies, the board decided to table this matter until the positions are filled.

A. Thompson and S. Van Sickle discussed the urgency to reschedule the July meeting from the 13<sup>th</sup> to a date earlier than the 10<sup>th</sup> to submit the State reimbursement request by the hard deadline of the 10<sup>th</sup>. G. Monti suggested provisionally approving the Board Chair to approve the July payable subject to later ratification by a quorum if there is not a quorum prior to July 10<sup>th</sup>

*C. Faucheux requested a motion for approval of the board chair to provisionally approve the July payables subject to later ratification of a quorum if there is not a quorum prior to the July 10<sup>th</sup> deadline. Approval was moved by H. Banker and seconded by G. Monti. Motion carried unanimously.*

*C. Faucheux requested a motion to adjourn. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by K. Bourgeois.*

Having no more business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:15pm.



Corey Faucheux, Chairperson

6-8-23

Date