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Richard A. Davey, Secretary & CEO



## MINUTES

### MassDOT BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2013

At the call of the Chair, a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation was held at the State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, MassDOT Board Room, Suite 3830, Boston, MA on Wednesday, April 10, 2013.

There were present: Messrs. Jenkins, Bonfiglio, Macdonald, Whittle and Miss Loux, being a quorum of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

Also present were the General Manager and Rail and Transit Administrator Scott, Frank DePaola, Administrator of the Highway Division, Rachel Kaprielian, Administrator of the RMV Division, Christopher Willenborg, Administrator of the Aeronautics Division, Rachael Rollins, MassDOT and MBTA General Counsel, Owen Kane, Senior Counsel to the Board, and Paula Fallon, Recording Secretary.

The Chairman, Mr. Jenkins, presided.

Chairman Jenkins called the Open Meeting to Order and presented the order of business. He announced that Secretary Davey and Director Alvaro will not be here today.

Chairman Jenkins opened up the meeting for public comment.

The first speaker was Paul Regan from the MBTA Advisory Board. Mr. Regan endorsed the MBTA's FY 2014 budget. He passed out the Advisory Board's Oversight Report.

The next speaker was Allen Karon from AACT. Mr. Karon commented on the budget and fare hikes.

The next speakers Rene Mardones, Daisy Vasques, Van Hardy, Julia Elana Leiva and Karen Narefsky from the Somerville Community Corporation commented on their concerns with the Green Line Extension RFP.

The next speaker was Rick Morin from the Bay state Council of the Blind. Mr. Morin commented on the study that was requested to be done on the impact on the elderly and disabled. He would like the reallocating existing cost to fund those recommendations to be considered. He also commented on the RIDE and cost structure.

The next speaker Louis Baxter and Hassan Smith from the T Riders Union commented on the proposed budget.

The next speakers John Robinson and Carolyn Villars from Mass Senior Action asked the Board that they look into rolling back the RIDE fares from last year's increase.

The next speaker Stephen Guan, an Independent Public Transportation Advocate, spoke on ideas to improve riderships and diversity on the system.

The next speaker Robbie Arge wanted to report the lack of communication with the communities is the big problem with the MBTA.

The last speaker was Celestine Cox from Mass Senior Action and she asked the Board to roll back the RIDE fares.

Chairman Jenkins closed public comment period.

Next Rachael Rollins read Secretary Davey's report.

(Full Report Attached)

Next Frank DePaola gave his report on the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual innovation conference. He also let the Board know that he attended two meetings with groups on the Casey Overpass project. He stressed that with the group they met with the DOT has concluded that the at-grade design was chosen. He noted that there are people who would like the bridge design but there are many more that are happy with the design chosen.

Director Loux noted that consultants led people to believe that the ground project was more expensive than the bridge and the end that wasn't the case.

Next Rachael Kaprielian, Registrar of the Registry of Motor Vehicles gave her report. She discussed the dashboard and updated the Board on wait times. She also gave an update on ALARS.

Next Chris Willenborg, Administrator of Mass Aeronautics updated the Board on FAA closures of some of the towers. He noted that they will provide key information to users and the Aeronautics is working with them.

Next Dr. Scott, General Manager and Rail and Transit Administrator gave her report. (attached)

Chairman Jenkins announced that he is going to go out of order and have MBTA Budget item go first.

Jonathan Davis, Deputy General Manager and Chief Financial Officer for the MBTA presented the item. Mr. Davis requested the Board to approve the Authority's budget of current operating expenses and debt service costs for the twelve-month period of fiscal year 2014 (July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014) and to direct the General Manager to submit the approved budget to the MBTA Advisory Board.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously;

**VOTED:**

**That the Board of Directors approve the Authority's budget of current operating expenses and debt service costs for a one year period-July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014- in the amount of \$1,866,555,455 in the form submitted to this Meeting;**

**and that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to submit the budget, in the name and on behalf of the Authority, to the MBTA Advisory Board no later than April 15, 2013 in accordance with Section 20 of Chapter 161A of the Massachusetts General Laws.**

The next item presented by Victor Rivas was approval of the MBTA Fiscal Year 2014 through Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Investment Program and to authorize the General Manager to forward it to the Joint Committee on Transportation, the Senate Ways and Means Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee of Legislature, in compliance with the MBTA's enabling legislation.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously;

**VOTED: That the Board of Directors approve the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2014 - Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Investment Program (CIP) and that the General Manager be authorized to release the CIP to the Joint Committee on Transportation, the Senate Ways and Means Committee, the House Ways and Means Committee, and the general public.**

The next item on the agenda presented by Ed Hunter is the authorization to award and authorize the General Manager to execute MBTA Contract No. A201CN01 entitled "Government Center Station Reconstruction (Blue and

Green), Boston, MA”, with Barletta Heavy Division, Inc., in the amount of \$81,946,231 with a completion date of thirty-six months from Notice to Proceed.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously;

**VOTED: That the General Manager be, and hereby is, authorized to execute, in the name and on behalf of the Authority and in a form approved by the General Counsel, a contract with Barletta Heavy Division for MBTA under MBTA Contract A20CN01 entitled "Government Center Station Reconstruction (Blue and Green), Boston, MA," to Barletta Heavy Division, Inc in the amount of \$81,946,231.00 based upon a lump sum and allowance bid prices, said contractor being the lowest responsible and eligible bidder in response to requests for sealed proposals.**

The last item on the agenda presented by Claudia Russell, MBTA Chief Procurement Office, is the authorization to request the approval of 13 New Diesel Electric Passenger Locomotives with Motive Power, Inc. at a total cost not to exceed \$70,005,000.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously;

**VOTED: That subject to the approval of the Secretary and CEO of Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), and the completion of FTA Buy America audit requirements, the General Manager and Rail & Transit Administrator be, and she hereby is, authorized to execute a Change Order No.2 to Formal Contract No. 671, in a form approved by General Counsel, with MotivePower, Inc., Boise, Idaho, for the purchase and delivery of 13 New Diesel Electric Locomotives, at a total not to exceed delivered cost of \$70,005,000.00.**

Chairman Jenkins announced the end of open session. He stated that we will be going into executive session to discuss litigation strategy and we will not be coming back into open session.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously;

**VOTED**: to adjourn.

Documents relied on in meeting:

Secretary Davey's Report  
Government Center Staff Summary  
Diesel Electric Passenger Locomotives  
MBTA Fiscal Year 2014 Budget  
MBTA CIP Fiscal Year 2014