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MINUTES

MassDOT BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2015

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, MassDOT Boardroom, Suite 3830, Boston, MA.

Those present were: Misses Bonsignore, Secretary Pollack, Taylor, Tibbits-Nutt, Calise and Messrs. Blue, Mazzarella, Moylan, Sullivan and Poftak being a quorum of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

Also present were Messrs. Chair Joseph Aiello and Director Brian Lang members of the Fiscal and Management Control Board, Frank DePaola, Interim General Manager, Tom Tinlin, Acting Highway Administrator, Erin Devaney, Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Astrid Glynn, Rail and Transit Administrator, Dana Levenson, Chief Financial Officer-MassDOT; Rachel Bain, Assistant Secretary - Office of Performance Management & Innovation. John Englander, MassDOT/MBTA General Counsel, Owen Kane, Senior Counsel to the Board, Joe Pesaturo, Michael Verseckes and Paula Fallon.

The Chair, Secretary Pollack, presided.

Chair Pollack called the Open Meeting to Order and presented the order of business.

Chair Pollack opened up public comment period.

The first speaker was Steven Kaiser. Mr. Kaiser commented on all the experience of the past Secretaries.

The next speaker was Louise Baxter. Ms. Baxter is from the T Riders Union. She would like to continue to see transparency with the Board.

The next speaker was Kevin Forman. Mr. Forman would like to have a Charlie Card store up in Arlington to help the Seniors who can't really travel easily to the Charlie Card store in Downtown Crossing.

The final speaker was Marilyn MacNab. Ms. MacNab commented on the Parcel 13/Hynes item on the agenda. She talked about the passageway under Mass. Avenue.

Chair Pollack closed public comment.

Next was approval of the minutes of July 21, 2015 Board minutes.

On motion duly made and seconded, with Directors Sullivan abstaining because was not on the Board at the time;

VOTED: to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2015 meeting.

Next the Board discussed the by-laws. Mr. Englander noted that they were still collecting comments from the Board which they will incorporate and bring

back to the next meeting for final approval. He noted that the Committees will also be added to the charters to the by-laws.

Next the Board voted on the positions of Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded it was;

VOTED: To appoint Ruth Bonsignore as Vice Chair of the MassDOT Board of Directors for a term of one year.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: to appoint Betsy Taylor as Treasurer to the MassDOT Board of Directors for a term of two years.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: to appoint Robert Moylan, Jr. as Secretary to the MassDOT Board for a term of two years.

The Board discussed the subcommittees and decided to take the item up at the next Board meeting.

Next the Board discussed board appointments. It was decided that the positions already in place would remain in place. Director Taylor would still serve

on the MBTA Retirement board. The Chair asked staff for a list of other Boards or Committees the Board members are expected to sit on by the end of the week.

Next the Chair gave her Secretary's Report. The Board had no follow-up questions to her report.

Next Acting Administrator Tinlin gave his report. There were no follow-up questions from the Board.

Next Registrar Deveney gave her report. There were no follow-up questions from the Board.

Next Rail and Transit Administrator Astrid Glynn gave her report. There were no follow-up questions from the Board.

The next item on the agenda presented by Isadoro Perez was the presentation on the Central Artery-Tunnel Project Repair and Maintenance (CARM) Trust Fund. The Chair gave some background on the settlement money. Director Taylor asked if they could show the money in the capital program next time they do the Capital Improvement Plan. Director Sullivan asked the size of the trust fund. Mr. Perez noted there was roughly \$385 million in the Trust Fund. Every month the fund earns \$350,000 which includes contingency and escalation. Mr. Perez noted that they still need Federal Highway's approval per a MOU signed. Director Sullivan asked if they are incorporating the possible improvements of the postal service area. Mr. Perez answered they have been working very closely with them. Director Bonsignore asked if they had an aggregate of liability that is not under the trust fund. He noted that they may only

have a percent based on negotiations. The balance is not covered under the trust fund and would come out of the MHS budget. Director Moylan asked if there were any more projects outside capital budget. The Secretary said she would find out and get back to the Board. She noted that these projects were left out of the plan until they have worked with the Federal Highway department. The Board had no more questions.

Director Mazzarella left the meeting at 2:58pm.

The next item on the agenda presented by Acting Administrator was the Accelerated Bridge Program. The Board discussed the potential liability on the Whittier and Longfellow Bridges. The potential liability was already captured in the money for the Whittier Bridge but they are still working on the Longfellow Bridge. Director Sullivan thanked them for pushing back on the safety component on the Fore River Bridge. Director Blue asked that in future items if they could include the prequalification's of the successful bidders.

The next item on the agenda was the authorization to enter into a contract with Judlau-White JV LLC entitled "Everett-Medford Bridge Replacements Br. Nos. M-12-017 and E-12-004=M-12-018 (Woods Memorial Bridge) Route 16 (Revere Beach Parkway) over the MBTA Railroad and the Malden River in the amount of \$70,789,588.90.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: That the Secretary/CEO and/or the Acting Administrator of Highway be and hereby is, authorized to award and execute, in the name and on behalf of the Department, and in a form approved by the General

Counsel, a certain Highway Division Contract entitled, “Everett Medford Bridge Replacement-Bridge-Bridge Nos. M-12-017 and E-12-004=M-12-018 (Woods Memorial Bridge) Route 16 (Revere Beach Parkway) over the MBTA Railroad and Malden River” with a contractor in an amount based upon a schedule of unit prices, said contractor being the lowest and eligible bidder in response to requests for sealed proposals in amount not to exceed \$70,789,588.90.

The next item on the agenda was authorization to enter into a contract with J. H. Lynch and Sons, Inc. for the Millbury – Roadway Reconstruction and Related Work (including Bridge Replacement) along a Section of Rt. 146”for a sum not to exceed \$20,444,069.50.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: That the Secretary/CEO and/or the Acting Administrator of Highway be and hereby is, authorized to award and execute, in the name and on behalf of the Department, and in a form approved by the General Counsel, a certain Highway Division Contract entitled, “Millbury-Bridge Replacement-Bridge-Bridge No. M-22-020 Route 146 over West Main Street and Construction of Two Roundabouts” with a contractor in an amount based upon a schedule of unit prices, said contractor being the lowest and eligible bidder in response to requests for sealed proposals in amount not to exceed \$20,444,069.50.

The next item on the agenda was the report from the Fiscal and Management Control Board (FMCB) presented by Chair Joseph Aiello. The Chair discussed how he would present to the Board. He would update the Board on the weekly activities of the FMCB. He asked if the MassDOT Board member were

looking for anything in addition to what he proposed to report on. The Board requested that they have access to all information that the FMCB.

Chair Pollack announced that there were going into executive session to discuss a real estate matter and that they will be coming back into open session.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: To adjourn.

Documents used for this reports

Minutes for July 21, 2015

By Laws

CARM Powerpoint

Staff Summaries for items 12 and 13.

Accelerated Bridge Program

Secretary's Report