

**KINGS TRANSIT AUTHORITY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING-MINUTES
May 12, 2009**

The regular board meeting of Kings Transit Authority was held on the above date at 4:00 p.m. at the Town of Kentville council chambers.

PRESENT

Chairman Mark Pearl, Kentville
Vice Chairman Bill Zimmerman, Wolfville

Councilors
Anna Morton, Berwick
Chris Parker, Kings County
Basil Hall, Kings County
Janet Newton, Kings County
Randy Matheson West Hants Representative
Randall Amero Digby County Representative
Ron Trimper Annapolis County Representative

Manager Ron Mullins,
Recording Secretary Darlene Brownell
CAO Keith Robicheau

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With there being three new items added to the agenda, motion approved.

8A Kings County Budget
8B Letter from CAO Brian Smith
8C New Trial Service Request

ON MOTION OF COUNCILORS NEWTON AND PARKER THE MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF AGENDA WAS ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 14, 2009 minutes to be approved at next meeting as Councilor Parker would like the minutes reviewed regarding a motion made about extending the lease with Perry Rand.

4. CONSERVE NOVA SCOTIA

Colleen Paton of Conserve Nova Scotia made a presentation to the board as to what Conserve Nova Scotia is and what their future plans are.

5. FINANCIALS/RIDERSHIP/REVENUE REPORTS

It was noted that Ridership in the Core of Kings Transit was down by 2 % for the fiscal year and revenue stayed the same. All other routes were doing very well. All reports are non-audited.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILOR HALL AND VICE PRESIDENT ZIMMERMAN THE MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS AND RIDERSHIP/REVENUE REPORTS WERE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Garage Facility – Recommendations for more funding resources were offered by the board and CAO Keith Robicneau for a business plan.

Michelin – Manager Mullins informed the board that the Michelin express run was terminated as of May 15, 2009.

Manager Mullins informed the board of the following: June is recreation month (free rides for cyclists), the Clean Air day and the Retire your Ride programs with Clean NS.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILORS NEWTON AND MORTON THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT WAS ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED

7. BUDGET UPDATE

Manager Mullins stated that Kings County has passed its budget and to see the correspondence from Kings County.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8 A Kings County Budget

The Municipality of Kings has passed their budget with the exception that the purchase of a new bus be bought out of the infrastructure money instead of the bus replacement reserve.

Board members debated the reserves, timing of purchasing buses, whether or not we should look at amending our agreements to allow for purchases other than buses (such as the garage facility).

Chair Pearl suggested we move forward, get the business plan done for the garage facility and see what progresses from there.

8 B Letter from CAO Brian Smith re: Municipal Complex

The Board discussed the letter from Kings County CAO Brian Smith asking Kings Transit if they were interested in pursuing a dialogue with Kings County in their shared municipal complex deliberations.

The board directed the General Manager give a positive response to be returned to the County of Kings.

8 C New Trial Service Request

An email was received from CAO Brian Smith with the request from Councilor Taylor for a service in the Port Williams, Canning and Centreville areas. Manager Mullins will prepare some options and costs for a trial service and present to the board at the next meeting. It was suggested that maybe some summer students could do a survey in the areas.

9. MISCELLANEOUS NEW BUSINESS

None

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

Next board meetings to be July 2, 2009 at 5:00 pm and September 3, 2009 and held at Town of Kentville Chambers.

11. General Manager Performance Review – In Camera

The board excused manager Mullins and secretary Brownell and went in-camera.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY