

# Regular Board Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** Monday, January 3, 2011

**PLACE:** 4001 I-75 Business Spur  
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ted Postula            Jack Kibble            Frank Sasso  
Dennis Robinson        Rodney Richards

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None absent

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:** Chuck Moser            Akemi Gordon    Lyn Rairigh  
Lynda Schexnayder    Jim, Dunn, Attorney

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF ABSENT:** None absent

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Chuck Lindstrom (MDOT)    Matt Drewek (AECOM)  
See attached sign in sheet.

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### **I. - II. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00p.m. by Chairman Sasso. All Directors were present.

### **III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES –December 6, 2010**

With regard to Regular Board Meeting Minutes for December 6, 2010; **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Richards; **SUPPORTED** by Director Kibble to approve said minutes. **UNANIMOUS.** Motion carried.

### **V. FINANCIAL REPORT-P.E.-November 30, 2010**

#### **BUSSING**

Finance Director Gordon reported bus revenue is up 4.15% due to Indian Trails and a slight increase in fares. The Federal Operating Assistance has increased due to expenses being up. Expenses are up 6.33%; mostly due to fuel and oil prices.

Gordon reported the bus application is due February 1st; we will be checking to see which buses are eligible for replacement.

Director Robinson questioned the status of the request for a handicap accessible bus in Luce County.

EUPTA will be hosting its LAC meeting later this month and the person with this request has been invited to participate in the meeting.

#### **FERRIES**

Gordon reported ferry revenue is down as far as fares are concerned. There was a corresponding decrease in vehicles and passengers for November. There was an increase in State Operating based on expenses.

### **VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Moser reported there will be a 1st Congressional District Federal Capital Planning Session scheduled in Manistique this Friday.

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Director Moser introduced Chuck Lindstrom (MDOT) and Matt Drewek (AECOM).

Moser spoke briefly with regard to the new governor and the budget.

Director Moser announced the retirement of Renee Hillock this month. Renee began her employment with EUPTA on 1/28/81.

Moser reported being contacted by Kathryn Henshell who is interested in setting up an International ferry crossing from Richards Landing on St. Joe Island in Canada to Barbeau, Michigan.

### **VII. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Dunn spoke briefly with regard to the School Aid Budget and the deficit that is still there.

Dunn spoke briefly regarding the new governor and newly appointed officials.

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

At this time Matt Drewek (AECOM) updated the board on the plan for the design phase of the stimulus project for the three ferry systems. An Agenda was distributed. (Attached). Matt went over changes to be made at each site in great detail. Director Moser recommended that the Board approve AECOM to apply for necessary permits. **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Robinson; **SUPPORTED** by Director Postula to approve the plans submitted and allow Matt to obtain the necessary permits to proceed with this project. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business to come before the Board, **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Richards; **SUPPORTED** by Director Kibble to adjourn. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 7, 2011 at 4PM.

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Ted Postula, Sec. /Treas.

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