

# Board Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** Monday, July 2, 2012

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jack Kibble            Michael Herbst            Ted Postula  
Dennis Robinson            Frank Sasso

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None absent

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:** Chuck Moser            Akemi Gordon  
Lynda Schexnayder            James Dunn, Attorney

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF ABSENT:** None absent

**OTHERS PRESENT:** 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 –June 4, 2012**

With regard to Minutes for June 4, 2012; **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Kibble; **SUPPORTED** by Director Postula to approve said minutes. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

### **V. FINANCIAL REPORT-P.E.-May 31, 2012**

#### **GENERAL**

Finance Director Gordon went over Maritime Escort invoice.

Gordon reported the Post Retirement Health Committee has been meeting frequently to talk about alternatives to our current post retirement health plan because we can no longer afford it. Gordon went over the MERS Health Care Savings Program and the committee recommended adopting said program. **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Herbst; **SUPPORTED** by Director Postula to adopt the MERS Health Care Savings Program Uniform Resolution. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried. A Participation Agreement will follow.

#### **BUSSING**

Gordon reported a 4 % increase in passengers for the month of May and a 10% increase for the year.

#### **FERRIES**

Gordon reported ferry traffic was up 8% for May but it is right in line with 2008, 09 & 10.

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

Director Moser updated the board on the recent State Transportation Committee Meeting held here in Sault Ste. Marie. This meeting was tied in with the 50th Anniversary of the International Bridge.

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Moser reported a request has been made by John Wellington to assist with off loading grey water to the vessel Luna at the Drummond Ferry site.

Moser reported a settlement should be received soon from Sentry Insurance with regard to the Sugar Island Ferry incident.

Moser gave an update on the St. Mary's River Project; unofficial meeting with MDOT in Newberry, Notice to Proceed, steel delivery, etc.

Moser reported Drummond Islander III dry-dock is completed; looks like a new vessel.

Moser reported EUPTA is getting ready for Drummond IV Dry-dock; working on approval to sole-source.

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

Attorney Dunn reported the Legislature let a two year transportation budget. Congress extended the Surface Transportation Act.

Dunn noted the importance of the Northern Michigan Economic Alliance.

### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business to come before the Board, **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Robinson; **SUPPORTED** by Director Kibble to adjourn. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 4:52pm. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday August 6, 2012 at 4PM.

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Ted Postula, Sec. /Treas.

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Prepared By: Lynda Schexnayder