

A regular meeting of the St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission was held on the 16th day of March, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. via Webex Meetings. Commissioner Kleis presided with the following present:

Commissioners:	1. Dave Kleis
	2. Rick Miller
	3. Ryan Fitzthum
	4. Kurt Hunstiger
	5. John Libert
Chief Executive Officer:	Ryan Daniel
Chief Administration Officer:	Sunny Hesse
Chief Operations Officer:	Dave Green
Finance Consultant:	Paula Mastey

Additions or Changes to the Agenda: Item number ten, under General Business will be presented by Sunny Hesse. **Commissioner Libert moved and Commissioner Miller seconded a motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda:

- 5.) Minutes of February 16, 2021 Regular Meeting
 - 6.) February 2021 Balance Sheet and Income Statement
 - 7.) February 2021 List of Bills
 - 8.) February 2021 Ridership Reports for Fixed Route, Dial-a-Ride, and Northstar Link
- Commissioner Miller moved and Commissioner Hunstiger seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

Open Forum: No one spoke.

General Business.

9.) Consideration of Metro Bus Investment Policy. Paula Mastey noted that Metro Bus currently does not have an investment policy and that Metro Bus needed a policy to address future investments. Ms. Mastey also noted that this policy would help in terms of investment objectives, credit risk, and securities moving forward. **Commissioner Miller moved and Commissioner Hunstiger seconded a motion to approve the Metro Bus Investment Policy. Motion carried.**

10.) COVID-19 Update. Sunny Hesse informed the Commissioners that Metro Bus has been working with Stearns County to help get Metro Bus employees vaccinated. COVID vaccines have been offered to all Metro Bus employees. When vaccines are available, all Metro Bus employees are given information about how, when, and where to sign up to receive them. **No Motion.**

Department Update. Dave Green gave the Commissioners a brief update on Metro Bus, roughly one year into the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Green noted that on March 22, 2020, Metro Bus made its first reduction in service relating to the pandemic and has since made several changes to routes to better serve the public during the pandemic. Metro Bus has taken additional steps, such as providing masks, rear-door boarding, and sanitizing buses, to help protect both employees and customers during this time. Mr. Green noted that Metro Bus saw a 36% reduction in accidents in FY2020 compared to FY2019. Metro Bus is currently beginning to see increases in ridership numbers and staff will begin examining routes and route structures to better suit customers moving forward.

Adjournment. **Commissioner Miller moved and Commissioner Hunstiger seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m. Motion carried.**