

A regular meeting of the St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission was held on the 20th day of August 2024 at 4:00p.m. at the Metro Bus Operations Center. Commissioner Kleis presided with the following present:

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

Additions or Changes to the Agenda: **Commissioner Hunstiger moved, and Commissioner Fitzthum seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda:

5.) Minutes of July 16, 2024, Regular Meeting

6.) July 2024 Balance Sheet, Income Statement

7.) July 2024 List of Bills

8.) July 2024 Ridership Reports for Fixed Route, Dial-a-Ride, and Northstar Link

Commissioner Miller moved, and Commissioner Fitzthum seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

Open Forum: No one spoke.

General Business.

9.) Recognition of Dia-a-Ride Operator Ken Daly: 25 Years of Service. **No Motion.**

10.) Consideration of Currency Acceptance Policy. Paula Mastey informed the Commissioners that the policies presented were just formalizing procedures that Metro Bus has already been practicing.

Commissioner Miller moved, and Commissioner Hunstiger seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Currency Acceptance Policy. Motion carried.

11.) Consideration of Contaminated Currency and Coin Policy. **Commissioner Miller moved and Commissioner Hunstiger seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Contaminated Currency and Coin Policy. Motion carried.**

12.) Consideration of Emergency Relief & Hazard Pay Policy. **Commissioner Miller moved and Commissioner Hunstiger seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Emergency Relief & Hazard Pay Policy. Motion carried.**

13.) Consideration of FY2025 Final Budget and Tax Levy. Paula Mastey stated that there were a few changes from the preliminary budget that was put out. There was a \$200,000 increase in professional services as well as an anticipated increase from MnDOT nearing \$300,000. Ms. Mastey noted that there were no changes to the tax levy or CIP plan. **Commissioner Miller moved, and Commissioner Fitzthum seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

14.) Resolution #2024-07 Setting Final Levy on All Taxable Property in Transit Area. Ms. Mastey informed the Commissioners that there were no changes from the preliminary levy. **Commissioner**

Miller moved, and Commissioner Masters seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

15.) Department Update. Maintenance Supervisor Mike Reid informed Commissioners that the Maintenance Department was fully staffed except for one part-time Facilities Worker. Mr. Reid noted that Metro Bus was still working through a few issues on the three new fixed route buses they recently received. Metro Bus is currently in the process of adding an additional (Compressed Natural Gas) compressor as well as a heat to their fuel Islands to help with some of the issues experienced during the winter months.

Adjournment. **Commissioner Masters moved, and Commissioner Fitzthum seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.**