## **EASTERN SIERRA TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

## Minutes of Friday, February 12, 2021 Meeting

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority was called to order at 11:02 a.m. on Friday, February 12, 2020, via Zoom. The following members were present: Jim Ellis, Bob Gardner, Karen Schwartz, Rhonda Duggan, Dan Totheroh, Kirk Stapp, Jeff Griffiths. Director Sauser joined the meeting at 11:04 a.m. Chairman Ellis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment	A public comment was made regarding ESTA's mask policy.
Executive Directors Report	Mr. Moores reported on ESTA activities and performance.
Financial Report FY 2020/21	Ms. Bentley presented the 2020-21 financial report as of February 2, 2021.
2019/20 Audited Financial Report	Ms. Bentley presented the 2019-20 audited financial report for the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority.
Ridership Report	Mr. Moores presented the Ridership Report for the month of December, 2020.
ESTA Annual Report FY19-20	Mr. Moores presented the ESTA Annual Report for fiscal year 2019/20.
Strategic Business Plan Report	Mr. Moores presented the ESTA performance dashboard for the FY 2021-23 Strategic Business Plan.
Short-Range Transit and Coordinated Plans RFP	Mr. Moores presented Short-Range Transit and Coordinated Plans RFP.
Election of 2021 Board Vice-Chairperson	Moved by Director Gardner and seconded by Director Duggan to elect Director Sauser as the 2021 Board Vice-Chairperson.
	Roll call vote taken. Motion carried 8-0 to elect Director Sauser as the 2021 Board Vice-Chairperson.

FY 2021-22 5304 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants Moved by Director Griffiths and seconded by Director Gardner, to approve Resolution 2021-01 authorizing the submittal of FY 2021-22 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants in the combined amount of \$190,000 to fund Eastern Sierra Transit Authority's Fleet Electrification Feasibility Study. Also, to authorize the Executive Director to sign the application and if awarded, agreements and amendments. Roll call vote taken. Motion carried 8-0

Reds Meadow USFS Permit Moved by Director Sauser and seconded by Director Gardner to authorize the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority to enter into a Special Use Permit to be issued by the U.S. Forest Service for the operation of the Reds Meadow Shuttle service in 2021, and to authorize the Executive Director to execute all required documents for the Permit.

Roll call vote taken. Motion carried 8-0

Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Certifications and Assurances Moved by Director Griffiths and seconded by Director Gardner to authorize the Executive Director to sign the Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Certifications and Assurances binding ESTA's compliance with these certifications and assurances for Federal Transit Administration assistance programs.

Roll call vote taken. Motion carried 8-0

Consent Agenda:

Moved by Director Sauser and seconded by Director Kreitz to approve the Consent Agenda Consisting of:

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2020.

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Roll call vote taken. Motion carried 8-0.

Board Member Comments Director Totheroh expressed support for all the ways the ESTA staff has worked to protect the public from the virus. Director Schwartz said the City of Bishop is recruiting for a Police Chief.

Director Duggan said she is glad to be part of the ESTA

Board.

Director Ellis thanked Mr. Moores for making great decisions to close business during the recent storm.

Closed Session

Open Session was recessed at 12:10 p.m. to convene in

closed session to consider:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Anticipated
Litigation: It is the intention of the Board to
meet in closed session concerning the following
item: Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant

to government code 54956.6(b) one case

Report on Closed Session

Closed session was recessed at 1:10 p.m. There was nothing to report from the closed session.

Adjournment

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for March 12, 2021 at 9:00 am. Check ESTA website for details on attending the meeting.

Recorded & Prepared by:

Linda Robinson Board Clerk

Eastern Sierra Transit Authority

Minutes approved: 3/12/2/