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**MOUNTAIN AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**  
**March 15, 2023 @ 10:30 A.M.**

Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority's Board of Directors held a closed session and regular meeting on March 15, 2023 at 10:57 A.M. held via ZOOM.

**OPEN SESSION**

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION 10:30 A.M.**

In accordance with Government Code §54956.8 Real Estate Negotiations

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 10:57 A.M.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Sean Gillingham

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ROLL CALL (All via ZOOM)**

Chairman, Jim Miller, 3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisorial District  
Vice-Chair, Kyle Schulty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisorial District  
Perri Melnick, Member, City of Big Bear Lake  
Bynette Mote, Member, City of Big Bear Lake  
Scott Rindenow, Member-At-Large

**AGENCY STAFF PRESENT (All via ZOOM)**

Sandy Benson, General Manager  
Karen Wentworth, Clerk of the Board  
Sean Gillingham, Financial Analyst  
Racheal Settje, Administrative Clerk

**OTHERS PRESENT (All Via ZOOM)**

Adam Ebright, County Legal Counsel  
Todd Warden, AQMD  
Nancy Strickert, SBCTA (via Zoom)  
Edward Stanik, Big Bear City Resident/Greenway

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comments

**DISCUSSION ITEM: BROWN ACT: ASSEMBLY BILL AB361**

Due to changed circumstances regarding the State of Emergency, this meeting will proceed open to Board Members, staff and the public as a teleconference meeting and the posted location in compliance with waivers to certain provisions of the Brown Act pursuant to Government Code Section 54953 € (AB361), relating to a proclaimed State of Emergency dated March 1, 2023, through January 1, 2024. Chairman Miller made a motion Board Meeting of March 15, 2023

to approve to adopt AB361 findings. Member Mote seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motions passed unanimously.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chairman Miller called for any items to be pulled from the Consent Calendar. Member Melnick made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, Board Minutes January 18, 2023, Board Meeting and Items 1-8. Member Mote seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Presented by Sandy Benson

### **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION 10:57A.M.**

Chairman Miller reconvened the Closed Session: Approved General Manager to proceed with real estate negotiations.

### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

#### 9. MT JPA By-Laws Update

Chairman Miller called for discussion and the status of the County redistricting and how it affects our Board Member representation for Kyle Schulty. Ms. Benson commented that the main updating involves this change. Adam Ebright, County Legal Counsel, provided clarification of the redistricting and Vice-Chair Schulty clarified her continued appointment status as approved by the County. Adam Ebright and Ms. Benson will update the By-Laws and submit to the City of Big Bear Lake and the County of San Bernardino.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 11. Resolution 2023-002: 2023 Section 5311 Intercity Bus Funding Projects

Chairman Miller called for discussion and a motion. Ms. Benson provided the background for this item. No further discussion. Vice-Chair Schulty made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-002 to authorize the General Manager to execute and file applications for Section 5311. Member Mote seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

#### 12. Resolution 2023-003: Authorized Agent & Certs and Assurances for LCTOP

Chairman Miller called for discussion and a motion. Ms. Benson provided the background for this item. No further discussion. Member Mote made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-003 to authorize the General Manager to execute and file applications for LCTOP. Member Melnick seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

#### 13. Resolution 2023-004: First Foundation Bank Line of Credit Renewal

Chairman Miller called for discussion and a motion. Ms. Benson provided the background for this item. No further discussion. Chairman Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-004 to renew the Line of Credit with First Foundation Bank and authorize the General Manager to sign the contract with First Foundation Bank. Member Mote seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

#### 14. Resolution 2023-005: Title VI Update

Chairman Miller called for discussion and a motion. Ms. Benson provided the background for this item. No further discussion. Member Mote made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2023-005 MT's updated Title VI Program. Member Melnick seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

#### 15. Amendment to the General Manager's Contract

Chairman Miller called for discussion and a motion. No further discussion. Member Melnick made a motion to approve amending the General Manager's current contract. Member Mote seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

**GENERAL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Administration –  
Board Members –

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting at 11:38 A.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 10:30A.M. Location:  
Crestline/Lake Gregory Chamber of Commerce, 24385 Lake Dr., Crestline, CA, 92325

  
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Karen Wentworth, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AT THE MAY 17, 2023, BOARD MEETING