

A regular meeting of the St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission was held on the 19th day of July, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at the Metro Bus Operations Center. Commissioner Kleis presided with the following present:

Commissioners:	1. Dave Kleis
	2. Rick Miller
	3. Amy Braig-Lindstrom - Absent
	4. Kurt Hunstiger - Absent
	5. John Libert
Chief Executive Officer:	Ryan Daniel
Chief Operating and Planning Officer:	Tom Cruikshank
Chief Finance and Administration Officer:	Paula Mastey

Additions or Changes to the Agenda. There were none. **Commissioner Libert moved and Commissioner Miller seconded a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda.

- 5.) Minutes of June 21, 2016 Regular Meeting.
  - 6.) June, 2016 Budget Statement and Bank Reconciliation.
  - 7.) June, 2016 List of Bills.
  - 8.) June, 2016 Ridership Reports for Fixed Route, Dial-a-Ride and Northstar Link.
- Commissioner Libert moved and Commissioner Miller seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

Open Forum.

Kim Pettman said she was speaking for many people who are concerned that the Fixed Route, Dial-a-Ride and Northstar Link buses are not always lining up with the Northstar train schedules and that is leaving people stranded. People are requesting that there be more middle of the day Link buses and more reliable times to travel between St. Cloud and Minneapolis along with more communication about what those times are. Hazel Youngmann asked when the new buses were going to arrive and why she is seeing commuter buses on Northway Drive and no Fixed Route buses. She asked for clarification about riding the new routes before they officially go into service. Tom Cruikshank explained that each week there are several sessions giving the public the opportunity to ride each of the new routes free of charge.

General Business.

- 9.) Resolution #2015-14, 2015 Title VI Program. **Commissioner Miller moved and Commissioner Libert seconded a motion to re-affirm the Metro Bus Title VI Program. Motion carried.**

Executive Director/Department Updates. Ed Yorek, Maintenance Director, reported that bids were received for the Hoist Replacement Project and it came in \$19,000 under budget at \$181,000. Construction will start in mid-August and be completed in October. MnDOT has signed off on all the contracts for the garage parking addition, so now the

RFP can be sent out to contractors. There is concern that it is late in the year to start such a large project. The new Dial-a-Ride buses, the first ones in the Metro Bus fleet to be converted to CNG, are close to completion with the first one shipping to Høglund next week and other five following shortly after that. A new shelter cleaner was just hired, so the maintenance department is fully staffed again.

Other Business. Commissioner Miller asked how the purchase of the Ziebart property was going. Tom Cruikshank said they are in the final stages of the long NEPA process waiting to get the results of the final review from the State Historic Preservation Office. Then the FTA will give their go-ahead and negotiations can proceed with the owner.

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