

**MONONGALIA COUNTY URBAN MASS
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S SPECIAL MEETING**

May 3, 2023

Authority Members Present:

Jenny Dinsmore
Terri Cutright
Marly Ynigues
Wesley Nugent
Jeremy Evans

Authority Members Not Present:

Other Personnel Present:

David Bruffy
Maria Smith
Alyssa Moate

Others Present:

I. Call to Order:

The Transit Authority Board Meeting for May 3, 2023 was called to order at 12:02 P.M. by Jenny Dinsmore.

II. Public Comment

a. None

III. New Business

a. None

IV. Old Business

a. **Employee Health Insurance (15.6% PEIA Increase)**

As requested by the board of directors CEO Bruffy presented options for the board to decide how much of the PEIA increase the agency would be able to cover. Presented were the current rates and amount MLTA covers, an option to cover the increase at the same percentage rates, an option to half that employee contribution and have MLTA cover that and an option where MLTA would cover the entire increase.

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Terri Cutright Made a Motion to accept the Split 50/50 option with Mountain Line covering approximately \$77,656.42 of the total \$91,171.55 increase as presented. Jeremy Evans seconded the motion.

Marly Ynigues inquired about the cost to train a new driver or the cost of onboarding new employees. **CEO David Bruffy** explained the training during the first few weeks, assistance with helping them acquire a CDL, the six months of training after their start date and stated it would be reasonable to think there's a cost of about \$20,000 associated with onboarding a new employee.

Wesley Nugent asked where this money would be coming from and noted with the recent tax decrease employees have seen their take home pay go up. **Wesley Nugent** asked about the Cost of Living increase for this year. **CEO David Bruffy** cautioned against correlating the two because not all employees have our benefits and the rate increase for benefits would be more for those without than those with our benefits and there could be an equality issue there.

Marly Ynigues Made a Motion to accept the Financial Report for March 2023 for audit as presented. Wesley Nugent seconded the motion.

For: 3

Opposed: 1

The possibility of a lack of a quorum in a non-unanimous vote was mentioned, however a unanimous vote to maintain the motion would allow the motion to move forward.

Terri Cutright requested a motion of the board to accept the motion.

For: All

Opposed: None

V. Adjournment

The May Special Meeting adjourned at 12:21 PM.

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