



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY
OPERATIONS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

via WebEx

MEETING MINUTES

Committee Chair W. Thomas Worthy called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Board Members Present	Staff Members Present
W. Thomas Worthy, Chair	Jeffrey Parker
Roberta Abdul-Salaam, Vice Chair	Collie Greenwood
Robert Ashe III	Rhonda Allen
Stacy Blakley	Luz Borrero
Jim Durrett	Melissa Mullinax
William Floyd	Elizabeth O’Neill
Roderick Frierson	Franklin Rucker
Freda Hardage	Raj Srinath
Russell McMurry ¹	
Al Pond	
Rita Scott	
Reginald Snyder	
Christopher Tomlinson ¹	

Also, in attendance: Board General Counsel Justice Leah Ward Sears of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP; other staff members: Marsha Anderson Bomar, LaShanda Dawkins, Jonathan Hunt, Kevin Hurley, Tyrene Huff, Sean Thomas, William Taylor, George Wright, and Phyllis Bryant.

Approval of the November 19, 2020 Operations and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Chair Worthy called for a motion to approve the November 19, 2020 meeting minutes. Ms. Hardage made a motion to approve. Ms. Abdul-Salaam seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously by a vote of 11 to 0 with 13¹ members present.

¹Russell McMurry is the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Transportation and Christopher Tomlinson is the Executive Director of Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) and are therefore, non-voting members of the MARTA Board of Directors.

Resolution Authorizing a Modification in Contractual Authorization for Facility-Wide Janitorial Services, IFB B37014

Acting Director Sean Thomas presented the above resolution for approval. On a motion by Mr. Ashe, seconded by Mr. Pond, the resolution was approved unanimously by a vote of 11 to 0 with 13¹ members present.

Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Bus Tire Lease Services, IFB B44758A

Director William Taylor presented the above resolution for approval. On a motion by Mr. Ashe, seconded by Mr. Frierson, the resolution was approved unanimously by a vote of 11 to 0 with 13¹ members present.

After Mr. Taylor's presentation, Committee members asked a questions.

Mr. Ashe was pleased to hear about the 41% DBE participation and asked if there were any details that could be shared about the actual work being performed by the DBE. Mr. Taylor stated that they will perform the inspections, do the replacements, cleaning wheels, and all the services required in the contract.

Mr. Frierson asked if through this contract, was your organization handling all the tires, the storage, as well as the replacement and all those functions. Mr. Taylor responded, yes, prior to us starting to lease tires in the mid 90's. This is a recurring contact.

Briefing – Vertical Transportation Update

Deputy Chief of Rail Operations, George Wright provided the Board with an update on MARTA's Vertical Transportation. It is an integral part of the station experience and is one of our most utilized services. Additionally, it's essential to ADA and elderly patrons.

Mr. Durrett commented that back in the day, we use to hear so many complaints and were dealing with problems with elevators and escalators all the time. It is a pleasure that we have built the program up to where it is today. Mr. Ashe agreed.

Other Matters

None

Adjournment

The Committee meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tyrene L. Huff
Assistant Secretary to the Board