

CHATHAM AREA TRANSIT  
AUTHORITY

SPECIAL CALLED

BOARD MEETING

OF

May 23, 2008

10:20 A.M.

Chairman Liakakis: I would like to call to order the Chatham Area Transit Authority for this special called meeting. And I ask the secretary treasurer of the CAT Board for roll call.

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Liakakis

Chairman Liakakis – here

Ms. Krahling – Dr. Thomas

Dr. Thomas - here

Ms. Krahling - Ms. Stone

Ms. Stone - Present

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Holmes

Mr. Holmes – here

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Shay

Mr. Shay - here

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Farrell

Mr. Farrell - here

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Odell

Mr. Odell - here

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Gellatly

Mr. Gellatly – here

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Kicklighter

Chairman Liakakis – he is here, he went over to answer the phone

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Broker is out of town today, Ms. Bell is out due to health.  
Mr. Dawson

Mr. Dawson – Here

Ms. Krahling – Mr. Oakley

Mr. Oakley – here

Also present at the meeting was Joe M. Rivers, M. Tyus Butler and Gennetta M. Krahling

Chairman Liakakis: Okay, under new business. Request Board approve resolution authorizing staff to submit an application for State Aid Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation Administration for a grant to aid in the transit operation. Joe.

Mr. Rivers – Yeah, Mr. Chairman this resolution goes forth, Ms. Stone we have pulled together some old money that was out there and some old grants and we are going to pull all of these grants together to ask the state to give there part of the funding so that we can pay off the lease on the buses that we have. We are going to pay those off would save us approximately \$117,000 a year in interest at approximately \$575,000 over five years of this year and what we intend to do with that money the interest money we save we are going to bundle that and try to purchase some new buses so that is the purpose of this. In the resolution we have some necessary word smiting to do and we will get this back to the Chairman immediately after the meeting

Mr. Odell – Move for approval authorizing the Chair to sign the amended corrected resolution

Ms. Stone - Second

Chairman Liakakis – We have a second, all in favor signify by raising your hand.

Mr. Kicklighter – I did not hear any of the discussion so can I just not vote on this.

Mr. Odell – Just go back outside.

Mr. Kicklighter – Im sure it is fine but Im out the door on this one

(Motion passes with all hands raised)

Mr. Shay – Mr. Chairman, before we adjourn if I just as a point of personal privilege, this past week there was an advertisement for a new Executive Director that was published for the Chatham Area Transit and I wanted to make sure that other board members were aware that it is put out that as part of the agreement that we made we would advertise of that as one of three possible solutions for how to go forward and make sure that CAT is the organization that I know Joe Murray Rivers and the rest of us want it to be. The other two legs of that is to for private firms to bid on that management and also for us to evaluate Public Private Partnership and that is forthcoming and that does not preclude the other two legs of the stool because the first one has already been advertised.

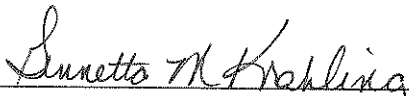
Chairman Liakakis – Yes and we want the general public to know that all of that was in going into effect and we only had a temporary contract with the consulting interim director with Joe Murray Rivers who was a big pusher and quite familiar with the operation with CAT operation and has done outstanding job since he has been on there the last few months so it was not a permanent position but we want the public to know that we have gone through the process to make sure that when we put it out for bid that we have gone through the necessary steps and requirements. Okay, we need a motion on the floor to adjourn.

Mr. Odell – so moved

Mr. Shay - second

Chairman Liakakis – we have a motion on the floor to adjourn the Chatham Area Transit Authority all in favor signify by raising of your hand. Motion Passes and we will reconvene as the Chatham County Commission.

Meeting recessed at 10:38 a.m.

  
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Gennetta M. Krahling, Secretary, Treasurer  
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