

Green Mountain Transit Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes 1 2 March 19, 2024 – 7:30 a.m. 3 101 Queen City Road, Burlington VT 05401 4 5 The mission of GMT is to promote and operate safe, convenient, accessible, 6 innovative, and sustainable public transportation services in northwest and 7 central Vermont that reduce congestion and pollution, encourage transit-8 oriented development, and enhance the quality of life for all. 9 10 11 Present: 12 Jamie Smith, Director of Planning and Marketing 13 Clayton Clark, General Manager Commissioner Austin Davis, Winooski 14 15 Monica White, Director of Central VT Services Dan Currier, VTrans 16 17 Commissioner Bob Buermann, Grand Isle County 18 Chris Damiani, Senior Transit Planner 19 Stephanie Reid, Director of Human Resources 20 Commissioner Paul Bohne, Essex 21 Tammy Masse, Controller 22 Alec Jones, LCPC 23 Commissioner Michael Scanlan, South Burlington Commissioner Tasha Wallis, Lamoille County 24 25 Jon Moore, Assistant General Manager 26 Commissioner Chapin Spencer, Burlington Commissioner Henry Bonges, Milton 27 Commissioner Andrea Suozzo, Burlington 28 Commissioner Catherine Dimitruk, Franklin County 29 30 Commissioner Christian Meyer, Washington County Alternate Commissioner Kyle Grenier, Grand Isle County 31 32 Mike Bensel, Grants Manager 33 Commissioner Susan Grasso, Shelburne 34 Tim Bradshaw, Director of Rural Operations 35 Commissioner Amy Brewer, Williston 36 Connor Smith, Capital Projects Coordinator 37 Alternate Commissioner Tom Derenthal, Burlington 38 Alternate Commissioner Will Anderson, Burlington 39 Alternate Commissioner Kaynor, Williston 40

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- 41 Stephen Falbel, Steadman Hill Consulting
- 42 Jason Lorber, Aplomb Consulting
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45 **Open Meeting**

- 46 Chair Davis opened the meeting at 7:32AM
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48 Adjustment of the Agenda

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51 Public Comment

- 52 None
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54 Action: Consent Agenda

55 Commissioner Scanlan made a motion to approve the consent agenda, 56 Commissioner Brewer seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

58 Action: LONO Infrastructure Update and Board Support Letter

- 59 Director Kimball gave an overview of the upcoming LONO grant application 60 process and a general update of the electric infrastructure upgrade project.
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- 62 Commissioner Meyer made a motion to authorize the board chair to sign a
- 63 letter of support for inclusion in the LONO application for necessary
- 64 infrastructure updates to the GMT facility, Commissioner Buermann
- 65 seconded.
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- In discussion, Commissioner Grasso asked if there is an issue to delay the
 approval of the motion until next month when the application is before the
- 69 Board. Dan Currier noted that if there was a delay until next month, the
- 70 timing would be difficult for VTrans if GMT decided not be part of the
- 71 application. Commissioner Scanlan asked if the delay would assist in staff
- 72 capacity.
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- 74 All were in favor and the motion carried.
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76 Action: Return to Fare Service Timing

- 77 General Manager Clark gave an update on the delay to the start of fare
- resumption. Commissioner Dimitruk made a motion to authorize the GM to
- 79 set a new fare resumption date 4 weeks after the app becomes available,
- 80 Commissioner Buermann offered a friendly amendment to authorize the GM

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- 81 to set a new fare resumption date, no less than 4 weeks and not to exceed 6
- 82 weeks, once the app becomes available. Commissioner Dimitruk accepted
- 83 the friendly amendment, Commissioner Buermann seconded. All were in
- 84 favor and the motion carried.
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86 Action: Approval to Plan for FY26 Service Reductions

- GM Clark gave an update on the fiscal cliff and the need to start
 communicating the upcoming potential for a 29% service reduction to urban
 services.
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- 91 Commissioner Brewer made a motion to authorize GM to start the FY26
- 92 service reduction planning, Commissioner Spencer seconded. Commissioner
- 93 Dimitruk asked that next month a schedule would be presented to the Board.
- 94 Commissioner Grasso asked other Commissioners their thoughts on sharing
- 95 the Burlington resolution with their communities.
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97 Discussion: FY25 State Grant Application

- 98 GM Clark gave an overview of the upcoming state grant application process 99 and discussed an update in Barre microtransit.
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101 Discussion: Organizational Assessment Review to Date

- 102 Steve Falbel and Jason Lorber joined the Board to discuss the Organizational 103 Assessment to date.
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105 Information: Committee Reports

- 106 There was no committee report overview
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108 Information: VTrans Update (if necessary)

- 109 There was no VTrans update
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111 Information: General Manager's Report

- 112 GM Clark gave an overview of his GM report.
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114 **Commissioner Comments**

- 115 Commissioner Spencer shared the Burlington City Council resolution to all
- 116 Commissioners.
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- 118 Commissioner Brewer asked about quorum concerns for the April 3rd
- 119 Legislative event.
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121 Adjourn

- 122 Commissioner Brewer made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Dimitruk
- seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 9:30AM.

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