



1 **Leadership Committee Meeting Minutes**
2 **April 10, 2023 | 11:00 AM**
3 **101 Queen City Road, Burlington VT 05401**
4 **Hybrid in-person and Zoom**

6 *The mission of GMT is to promote and operate safe, convenient, accessible, innovative, and sustainable*
7 *public transportation services in northwest and central Vermont that reduce congestion and pollution,*
8 *encourage transit oriented development, and enhance the quality of life for all.*

10 **Present:**

11 Ash LaBombard, Marketing & Outreach Coordinator
12 Commissioner Austin Davis, Winooski
13 Commissioner Paul Bohne, Essex
14 Jamie Smith, Director of Planning & Marketing
15 Matt Kimball, Director of Grants & Capital Projects
16 Nick Foss, Director of Finance
17 Stephanie Reid, Director of Human Resources
18 Clayton Clark, General Manager
19 Commissioner Amy Brewer, Williston
20 Commissioner Bob Buermann, Grand Isle County
21 Commissioner Catherine Dimitruk, Franklin County

23 **Open Meeting**

24 Chair Davis opened the meeting at 11:02 AM.

26 **Adjustment of the Agenda**

27 None

29 **Public Comment**

30 None

32 **Approval of Committee Minutes**

33 Commissioner Bohne made a motion to approve the minutes with edits;
34 Commissioner Brewer Seconded. The motion carried, Commissioner
35 Buermann abstained.

37 **General Manager Report Preview**

38 GM Clark provided an overview of a preview of the report, which included
39 the Low/No grant application, the state grant application, and a legislative
40 recap.



42 Commissioner Bohne asked if there was pushback from VPTA about funds
43 going to us instead of other sources. GM Clark replied that he has not
44 currently seen any from VPTA or other transit providers regarding this.

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46 **State Grant Application**

47 GM Clark explained that the state grant application is largely the same each
48 year, and with no policy preventing us, proposed that next year we begin
49 preparing the grant application once the budget is approved. He felt that
50 this will allow for more Board involvement moving forward.

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52 Branching off of this topic Commissioner Buermann asked if we have
53 everything in place to operate if the government shuts down. Director Foss
54 explained that we have adequate reserve funds to operate for the short
55 term, and a shutdown were to extend, we would seek approval for staff to
56 look into a line of credit.

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58 **Fair Fares**

59 GM Clark wanted to preview the Board discussion and the improvements the
60 Genfare Link system will allow, including fare capping. Chair Davis and
61 Commissioner Brewer, while sad to see fares return are excited by the
62 potential of the new system.

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64 **April Board Meeting Agenda**

65 GM Clark outlined the March Board Agenda, which included a discussion
66 with Barre City, a capital budget adjustment, a discussion on fair fares, and
67 an executive session to discuss litigation.

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69 Commissioner Bohne asked if there was a particular ask from Barre City. GM
70 Clark stated that they only asked to be included on the agenda, and we are
71 doing this to keep open communication with them. Chair Davis asked GM
72 Clark to make Barre City aware that all communication on their part will flow
73 through a sole representative.

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75 **Commissioner Comments**

76 None

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78 **Adjourn**

79 Commissioner Buermann made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Brewer
80 seconded. All were in favor, and the motion carried.