



Minutes of the Special Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 8, 2020 – 9:00 pm
303 2nd Avenue, S, Suite A, Okanogan, WA. 98840 (TranGO Office)

Attendees

Cindy Gagne, Mayor, City of Omak
Tim Rieb, Council Member, City of Brewster
Denise Varner, Council Member, City of Okanogan
Carlene Anders, Mayor, City of Pateros
Aaron Studen, Council Member, Town of Twisp
Sally Ranzau, Mayor, Town of Winthrop
Andy Hover, Okanogan County Commissioner
Marylou Kriner, Mayor, City of Tonasket

Guests:

Deanne Konsack, OCTN Operations Director
Jennifer Fitzthum, OCTN General Manager
Bill Nearants, OCTN Driver Supervisor

Staff

Kelly Scalf, General Manager
Jackie Moriarty, Clerk of the Board
TranGO Attorney Scott DeTro

Call to Order and Introductions

Cindy Gagne, Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Action: Resolution #2020-13 – A Resolution of the Okanogan County Transit Authority Board of Directors Approving the Agreement for Demand Response Transportation Services Between the Okanogan County Transit Authority and the Board Chair to Execute said Agreement of Behalf of the Okanogan County Transit Authority

Motion:

Board Member Ranzau moved to approve Resolution #2020-13 as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Anders.



General Manager Scalf gave the Board a summary of how this agreement was structured. The Board discussed if the agreement could be more open ended and be for a longer term than one year; Attorney DeTro will research this and report back to the Board.

Chairman Gagne called for the vote; the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion: Washington State Department of Transportation Consolidated Grant Funds and I-976

General Manager Scalf stated that if I-976 is upheld, OCTN State funding will be significantly impacted and in turn will make obtaining Federal grants an even more competitive process. Scalf provided a preliminary figure of approximately \$1.5 million needed to continue OCTN services as they currently are, which includes the Demand Response funding OCTA already contributes and the cost of bus replacement would also need to be considered.

General Manager Scalf asked Attorney DeTro if OCTA contracted with OCTN for the full amount of services, would that constitute going out to bid because of the large amount. DeTro felt that it would be considered as “Sole Source” contracting because of the unique service provided, however he will research that and report to the board. Scalf proposed that the Board consider different scenarios, which could include consolidation. Chairman Gagne stated that the services OCTN provides are vital.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Gagne adjourned meeting at 9:31 a.m.

APPROVED:



Chairperson or Acting Chair



Kelly Scalf, General Manager

ATTEST:



Jackie Gleason, Clerk of the Board