

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
SOUTH CENTRAL TRANSIT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017
12:00 P.M.
SCT TRANSPORTATION CENTER
100 N. LOCUST STREET
CENTRALIA, IL 62801**

Present:

George Guidish
David Iossi
Don Copeland
David Rodden
Ben Stratemeyer
John Schubert

Absent:

Jeff Ashauer

Also Present:

Sheila Niederhofer
Sara Nollman Hodge
Vicki Clift
Randy Barrow
Pam DeMaris
Don Middleton
Kristi Vetri
Beth Monken
Pam Boyd
Margaret Conley
Fred Becker

The Budget/Finance committee meeting was called to order by Guidish in the absence of Ashauer.

GUEST RECOGNITION/PUBLIC COMMENT – Don Middleton, Kristi Vetri

FINANCIAL REPORT

Clift reviewed the financial reports for August. Clift pointed out items on the cash requirements report that were reimbursable thru the DTIF Capital Grant and the Workmen's Comp grant. FY17 Audit results showed additional Downstate Funding owed and a 5th payment request was made to the state and has been received. Motion to move to the full board for approval by Rodden, seconded by Copeland. All aye. Motion carried.

CONTRACTS

Public Aid – Nollman Hodge reported receiving \$4500 in payments since last month.

CRC – Nollman Hodge reported on a new contract with Community Resource Center transporting clients to and from appointments. There are 2 Centralia routes and 1 Vandalia route.

Age Smart – Nollman Hodge reported on the renewal of the contract with Age Smart, transporting senior clients in Washington and Clinton Counties.

Bluford School – Nollman Hodge reported on the new contract with Bluford School transporting one of their special needs students to Casey Middle School in Mt. Vernon.

RENEWAL OF PROPERTY/GL/GARAGE KEEPERS/\$10M UMBRELLA POLICY - Clift reported on the renewal of policy with Chaney & Karch, State Auto Insurance in October. Policy is a yearly renewal and put out to bid every 5 years. Motion to send to full board for approval by Rodden, seconded by Stratemeyer. All aye. Motion carried.

BUS LEASES – Barrow reported on the lease of 7 medium duty busses presently being leased at \$812 per month each. This lease expires in February, 2018 with the option of purchasing or releasing them back to Midwest Transit. After discussion it was decided to table to the October Finance meeting. Motion to table by Copeland, seconded by Rodden. All aye. Motion carried.

AGENDA MEETING DIRECTORS FEES – Niederhofer reported to the committee that the agendas are now being set at the managing director's office by Guidish and Iossi and that it is their wishes to be paid for doing so. Rodden stated that it is the Managing Directors job, according to the Bylaws to set the agenda and any input by a board member can be added as needed. Guidish stated that he was unaware of who set the agenda and that he decided that he and Iossi should set the agenda at the office of the managing director. Rodden stated that he felt there should be no compensation. Guidish stated that he would send an email to Marvin Miller, Board counsel.

CTD DONATION – Don Middleton, CTD Board President addressed the Board regarding their suggestions of improper activity in their relationship with SCT. Middleton stated that he would not be renewing any \$1 bus leases as they become due, 30 day notice will be given. Other leases that are required to be put out to bid will not receive a bid from CTD. Middleton stated that the marriage between CTD and SCT has been a good one. Guidish stated that it would be an unwise decision. It was stated that the history of the SCT/CTD relationship was given to all board members at a training session held by M. Miller, Legal Counsel in January of 2016 and there was no question of any conflict of interest or wrong doing at that time. Discussion was held with Rodden at one point asking Guidish who made him “god of the Board” and Rodden ask that the minutes reflect that. Guidish ask if Middleton would change his mind and Middleton

stated that he would address the CTD Board at the Tuesday Board meeting and let him know. Middleton left the meeting. Niederhofer then referred back to the agenda and addressed the CTD Donation agenda item. Niederhofer reported on the SCT company wide Trivia Training day, Saturday, September 23. In the past CTD has graciously donated money and prizes to SCT events to allow our employees the recognition they deserve. Niederhofer was asking for permission to ask CTD once again for a donation of \$1500 to make this possible. Guidish ask if the Finance Committee wanted to concur with the Personnel Committee and send on to the full Board for approval. Rodden stated he felt that after the conversations just held with Middleton he would not support asking CTD for a donation. Stratemeyer stated that he thought it was a little on the sleazy side to be asking a vendor for a donation. Rodden stated that he would write a check out for \$1500 to SCT for this event.

AUDIT – Fred Becker of Glass and Shuffett reviewed the findings of the SCT FY17 audit with committee.

MANAGING DIRECTORS CONTRACT – Niederhofer stated she did not know why the Managing Directors contract was on the finance agenda, Iossi was asked but stated he did not know. Guidish stated that all of the Board members were not aware of the contract and when the agendas were being set at the managing director’s office with he and Iossi the Personnel Committee meeting agenda had already been set so they just put it on the Finance agenda. Rodden ask if it was up for renewal, Guidish said no, it expires in 2020. Rodden ask if we can terminate with notice and Guidish said yes. Rodden stated that the Board hires her and the Board appoints her and sets the contract. He noted that Sheila hires employees.

MONTHLY REPORT – Nollman Hodge reviewed the monthly report for August.

OTHER – Niederhofer reported on an incident that occurred in the New Baden Park on Monday, September 18.

ADJOURN – The meeting was then adjourned on a motion by Copeland, seconded by Rodden.

