

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
SOUTH CENTRAL TRANSIT
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017
12:00 P.M.
SCT TRANSPORTATION CENTER
100 N. LOCUST STREET
CENTRALIA, IL 62801**

Present:

George Guidish
John Schubert
Don Copeland
Ben Stratemeyer
David Rodden

Also Present:

Sheila Niederhofer
Sara Nollman-Hodge
Vicki Clift
Randy Barrow
Pam DeMaris
Margaret Conley
Marvin Miller

The Budget/Finance committee meeting was called to order by David Rodden.

Niederhofer ask the committee for approval to add to the agenda. Monthly Reports was added to the agenda. With the meeting being held early due to the Thanksgiving holiday not enough information was available at the time the committee packets went out.

MONTHLY REPORTS – Nollman-Hodge reviewed the monthly reports for October.

GUEST RECOGNITION/PUBLIC COMMENT – None

FINANCIAL REPORT

Due to the early meeting this month there are no financials available. If information becomes available by board meeting the financials will be emailed or brought to the Board meeting.

CONTRACTS

Public Aid – Nothing to report as last meeting was only 2 weeks ago.

BUS LEASE WITH CTD – Niederhofer reported to committee that as requested at the last Board meeting, Don Middleton of CTD submitted a bid for lease of 7 busses at \$812 per month each for 1 year with an option to renew. Mr. Middleton asks that the lease be

approved before CTD makes the purchase from Midwest Transit. Stratemeyer stated that he is not comfortable with the structure of that lease. He states that he has spoken to Jeff Ashauer and thru a non profit organization they could purchase those same busses and lease to SCT for \$300 less per bus per month than CTD. He stated he contacted DuQuoin State Bank and they are interested in real estate and vehicle leasing financing. Discussion was held on what was asked of SCT administration regarding the bidding on these busses. It seems that there was some confusion regarding what was asked and several committee members want to solicit bids elsewhere. It is the recommendation of the committee that the Director of Finance inquire as to the specifics of a lease and get in writing proposed lease terms from previous board member Jeff Ashauer and his non for profit organization as well as the DuQuoin State Bank. A decision should be made at the November 16 Board meeting regarding the busses or routes will have to be shut down in February.

PINCKNEYVILLE/NASHVILLE SHUTTLE- Barrow discussed the proposed shuttle expansion from DuQuoin, Pinckneyville, up Rt. 127 to Nashville. The expansion would provide transportation from the south to the factories in Nashville. It would require 1 new driver and an additional bus. Three runs, 7am, 3pm, and 11pm at 3 – 4 hours a run would be needed to complete the expansion. The shuttle would have a start date of January 1, 2018 if approved. Barrow is asking for approval to start creating route. Motion was made to by the Personnel Committee to send to the Board for approval.

EMPLOYEE BONUSES – Nollman-Hodge presented the proposed 2017 Performance and Longevity Awards for SCT employees. Bonuses are based on employee evaluations and amount of years served. Due to financial constraints employee bonuses were forgone in 2015 and 2016. Bonus checks would be processed as an extra payroll in December. Motion was made by the Personnel Committee to send to the Board for approval.

PCOM- Niederhofer discussed the quarterly PCOM report required by IDOT that was emailed to committee. Personnel Committee sent to the full Board for approval.

OTHER – Nothing.

ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn by Schubert, seconded by Rodden. All aye. Motion carried.

