

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF AUTHORITY  
County of Lackawanna Transit System  
August 18, 2021

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The regular meeting of the County of Lackawanna Transit System Authority was held on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. at the Lackawanna Transit Center.

Present were:	Martha Dougher	Larry Wynne
	Michael Dougherty	Atty. Timothy Hinton
	Robert Fiume	Atty. Joseph DeNaples
	Jane Farrell	

Mr. Larry Wynne opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Wynne added that an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Mr. Wynne requested a roll call of the board members. Larry Wynne was present. Martha Dougher and Michael Dougherty participated via phone. Gregg Nieto and Brian Doughton were absent.

Acceptance of Minutes

Mr. Wynne requested a motion to approve the July 2021 meeting minutes. Martha Dougher made a motion to accept the minutes and Larry Wynne seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Acceptance of Financial Documents

Mr. Wynne requested a motion to approve the Financial Statements for the month of July 2021. Michael Dougherty made a motion to accept the financial documents and Martha Dougher seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Public Comment/Agenda Items

Mr. Wynne welcomed comments from the public regarding agenda items; there were none.

Executive Director's Report

- A. Mr. Robert Fiume presented the ridership reports for the month of July 2021 for fixed route. The fixed route average daily ridership for July 2021 was 1,596. Mr. Fiume noted that within the last few days, the ridership has been around 1,800. The fixed route ridership is at approximately 54% pre covid. Mr. Fiume stated that he is working with the Scranton School District to provide some service. We are limited to what we can do because of Federal regulations but, we are doing what we can to provide some service. He stated that between the school students, CANPACK and the industrial parks, the ridership is starting to climb.
  
- B. Mr. Fiume presented the ridership reports for the month of July 2021 for shared ride. The average daily trips for shared ride in July 2021 was 363. Mr. Fiume noted that in the last few days, the ridership has increased to over 400 per day. Shared ride ridership is at approximately 70% of ridership prior to covid.

- C. Mr. Fiume announced that the FTA and TSA have extended the mask mandate from September 17, 2021 until January 18, 2022 for all public transit transportation and their facilities.
- D. Mr. Fiume stated that the Department Reports are included in the board packet. He asked the members to let him know if they had questions.

Public Comment/Other Business

- A. Mr. Fiume requested a motion to approve the Resolution to increase the administrative employees' contributions for health care benefits. Mr. Fiume stated that this was done on July 1, 2021 but, they wanted to follow up with a resolution. Michael Dougherty made a motion to approve the resolution and Martha Dougher seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- B. Mr. Fiume requested a motion for the Resolution certifying the adoption of the 1<sup>st</sup> budget revision of the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. Michael Dougherty made a motion to approve the resolution and Larry Wynne seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- C. Mr. Wynne welcomed comments from the public regarding other business; there were none.

Martha Dougher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:40p.m. Michael Dougherty seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Submitted by:  
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