

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF AUTHORITY
County of Lackawanna Transit System
August 23, 2023

The regular meeting of the County of Lackawanna Transit System Authority was held on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. at the Lackawanna Transit Center.

Present were:	Martha Dougher	Larry Wynne
	Brian Doughton	Atty. Timothy Hinton
	Atty. Joseph DeNaples	Timothy McGrath
	Jane Farrell	Michael Danchak
	Zain Rabbani	Keri Savage

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. Brian Doughton and Larry Wynne were present. Martha Dougher participated via phone. Gregg Nieto and Michael Dougherty were excused.

Acceptance of Minutes

Mr. Wynne requested a motion to approve the July 2023 meeting minutes. Brian Doughton made a motion to accept the minutes and Martha Dougher seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Acceptance of Financial Documents

Mr. Wynne requested a motion to approve the Finance Report for the month of July 2023. Martha Dougher made a motion to accept the financial reports and Brian Doughton 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. McGrath opened his comments by wishing board member, Michael Dougherty, well as he awaits the arrival of his first grandchild. Mr. McGrath also offered his condolences to the Casey family on the loss of their mother, Ellen Casey.

- B. Mr. McGrath presented the ridership report for the month of July 2023 for shared ride. Mr. McGrath stated that the ridership continues to remain strong. Noting that the department provided 3,292 medical trips, 1,475 dialysis trips followed by 896 trips for working purposes and 856 shopping trips, along with others. The challenge is, the actual trip per mile continues to increase. This is a problem for efficiency and cost standpoints. Now we are taking individuals and taking them further distances. They are working with Penn Dot to address the problem. We are currently averaging 6.9 miles per trip. Mr.

