MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE

ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAIL AUTHORITY Held: Friday, May 14, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. at the Jefferson County Administration Building, Lookout Mountain Room, 100 Jefferson County Parkway, Golden, CO 80401.

Attendance:

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rocky Mountain Rail Authority was scheduled in compliance with the laws of the State of Colorado, with the following Board members in attendance;

Harry Dale, Chairman, Clear Creek County (Commissioner)
Doug Lehn, Vice Chair, Town of Castle Rock (Council) (via teleconference)
Gail Drumm, Town of Monument (Council) (via teleconference)
Janice Finch, City and County of Denver (Staff) (via teleconference)
Taylor Ryan, Eagle County (Staff) (via teleconference)
Forrest Whitman, Gilpin County (Commissioner) (via teleconference)
Mary Jane Loevlie, City of Idaho Springs (Staff) (Alternate) (via teleconference)
Bob Bowland, City of Idaho Springs (Council)
Diane Mitsch Bush, Routt County (Commissioner)
Diane Mitsch Bush, Steamboat Springs (Alternate)
Diane Mitsch Bush, Oak Creek (Alternate)
Diane Mitsch Bush, Hayden (Alternate)
Diane Mitsch Bush, Town of Yampa (Alternate)
Diane Mitsch Bush, Town of Craig (Alternate)
Lee Behrens, Georgetown (Council)
Gene Putman, Thornton, (Staff)
Tresi Houpt, Garfield County (Commissioner) (via teleconference)
Kate Newman, Jefferson County (Staff) (Alternate)
Will Kerns, Jefferson County (Staff) (Alternate)
Bob French, Summit County (Commissioner) (via teleconference)

Also present were:
Ed Icenogle, Icenogle, Norton, Smith, Blieszner, Gilida & Pogue, P.C. (RMRA Attorney) Lee Behrens, Georgetown (Council) (via teleconference)
George Scheuernstuhl, DRCOG (Staff) (via teleconference)
John Valerio, CDOT
Don Moore, RTD Citizens Advisory Committee
Call to Order

Chairman Dale noted that with 18 members present, there was not a quorum of the Rocky Mountain Rail Authority. He requested that Executive Committee members, Doug Lehnen, Gail Drumm, Gene Putman and Diane Mitch Bush remain after the Board meeting concluded in order to consider current RMRA bills.

Identification of any Non-Board members on the Conference Call Line

Chairman Dale asked for all non-board members on the conference call to identify themselves. No one identified themselves.

Public Comment Period

Chairman Dale asked for any person wishing to come forward to address the RMRA Board with public comments. There were none.

Consideration of Changes in the March 26 RMRA Board Meeting Minutes

Chairman Dale referenced the Board minutes from the March 26, 2010 Board meeting. He asked if there were any corrections. There were none.


Chairman Dale referenced the packet documents.

Chairman Dale reviewed the March/April 2010 Financial Report which he had spoken to Treasurer Tangen about earlier in the week. RMRA’s current cash balance is $25,409 with a $1,776 insurance payment in transit to the insurance company. RMRA has a $7,106 invoice from TEMS for March 2010 that will be considered at the Executive Committee meeting immediately following the Board meeting. The invoice had been reviewed by Project Manager Mark Boggs and recommended for approval.

The remaining TEMS contract amount is $2,328. Treasurer Tangen had revised downward his estimate of the RMRA 2009/2010 audit to $2,500. With all current estimated bills for 2010, the remaining RMRA balance is projected to be $11,338. It is possible that some of this $11,338 balance could be used for additional copies of the final report and/or executive summary and additional outreach.

HSIPR Advocacy in Colorado

Chairman Dale told the Board that he had only two more presentations of the RMRA Final Report scheduled. The next presentation would be on May 19 to the CDOT Transportation Commission and then on May 21 to the Denver Metro Chamber.

The Board discussed their desire for additional presentations of the RMRA Final Report including engaging the 2010 Governor Candidates and our US Congressional Delegation. Director Lehnen and Director Mitsch Bush volunteered to contact the Governor Candidates and at least Representative
Perlmutter and Representative Coffman. They also agreed to contact the Colorado Transportation Legislative Review Committee to work on scheduling a presentation. Chairman Dale noted that the Transportation Legislative Review Committee had been changed to the State Legislature Joint Transportation Committee this year and volunteered to provide the contact information to Director Lehnen and Director Mitsch Bush.

Chairman Dale also noted that Move Colorado would be hosting a Multi-modal Roundtable on July 29. The roundtable would be expected to discuss the future of high-speed rail in Colorado and Chairman Dale had been invited to participate.

Director Loevlie expressed interest in a formal roll out/press conference for the RMRA study sometime this summer. She proposed a workshop concept that could include a formal presentation of the study findings along with other related presentations of high-speed rail technologies, operations and financing options with a global perspective. Local, State and Federal elected officials and agency staff would be invited to attend. Her proposal suggested that some of the remaining RMRA balance of $11,338 could be used for this workshop. Director Mitsch Bush and Director Houpt agreed to work with Director Loevlie to put together a proposal for the Board’s consideration at the next board meeting (July 9).

**Next RMRA Board Meeting**
Chairman Dale stated that the next RMRA Board meeting will be on Friday, July 9, 2010 at 1 pm in the Jefferson County Courts and Administration Building, Lookout Mountain Room.

**Adjournment**
In that there were no further items of business to discuss, the meeting stood adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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Secretary of the Meeting