

**BERKS AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
MINUTES**

DATE: February 19, 2020

TIME: 6:30 p.m. (or immediately following SCTA Board Meeting)

PLACE: BARTA  
1700 N. 11<sup>th</sup> St.  
Reading, PA 19604

PURPOSE: Regular Meeting

ATTENDANCE: **Members:** Commissioner Kevin Barnhardt, Gail Landis, and James Schlegel.

**Solicitor:** Jill Nagy, Summers Nagy Law Offices

**Staff:** David W. Kilmer, Laura Hopko, Greg Downing, Sharon Stephens, Jeffrey Glisson, and Rhonda Baer.

**Guests:** Bonnie Glover, June Wolf, Cheryl Love, Mark Glatz and Jody Lavine – Easton Coach, Steve Newsham, Edward Fabriziani, – Amalgamated Transit Union #1345, Mike Golembiewski – Berks County Planning Commission, Helen Denker, Harry Rickenbach and Judy Vaskorlis

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Call to Order

Chairman Kevin S. Barnhardt called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

3. Approval of Minutes of the January 16, 2019 Special Public Meeting and February 20, 2019 Regular Public Meeting.

Upon a motion by Ms. Landis, and seconded by Mr. Schlegel, the Board approved the minutes from the January 16, 2019 Special Board Meeting and February 20, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as written.

4. Old Business - None

5. New Business

A. Election of Officers

Chairman Kevin S. Barnhardt mentioned that in the board packet is a copy of the proposed 2020-2021 Board Officers recommends the following:

Chairman – Kevin Barnhardt; Vice-Chairman – Timothy Snyder; Secretary – James Schlegel; Treasurer – Dennis Rex.

Upon motion by Mr. Schlegel, seconded by Ms. Landis, the Board approved the 2020-2021 Election of Board Officers.

B. Appointment of Solicitor

Mr. Kilmer mentioned only one proposal was received to provide legal services as Solicitor for the Authority. The proposal was submitted by Summers Nagy, our current Solicitor, for an hourly rate of \$175.00 per hour. Staff recommends approval.

Upon motion by Mr. Schlegel, seconded by Ms. Landis, the Board Approved the Appointment of Summers Nagy as Solicitor for the Authority.

C. Appointment of Labor and Other Legal Services

Mr. Kilmer mentioned a total of three proposals were received to provide labor and other legal services for the Authority. The proposals were reviewed by staff and Steven & Lee was the top rated firm with an hourly rate of \$272 for labor and other legal services. Staff recommends approval.

Upon motion by Mr. Schlegel, seconded by Ms. Landis, the Board approved the Appointment of Stevens & Lee to perform labor services for the Authority.

D. Resolution 1-20 Approving Amendment #11 for the Berks Area Regional Transportation Authority Pension Plan

Mr. Kilmer mentioned this Resolution is required in order for the pension plan to reflect the level of benefits as included in the collective bargaining agreement with ATU Local 1345. Staff recommends approval.

Upon motion by Ms. Landis, seconded by Mr. Schlegel, the board approved Resolution 1-20 Approving Amendment #10 for BARTA Pension Plan.

7. Public Comment - None

8. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Schlegel, seconded by Ms. Landis.

Respectfully submitted,

James Schlegel  
Secretary