

**BERKS AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** June 19, 2024  
**TIME:** 6:35 PM  
**PLACE:** Reading/Virtual  
**PURPOSE:** Regular Annual Meeting  
**ATTENDANCE:** Members: Gail Landis, Jessica Jones and James Schlegel  
Solicitor: Jill Nagy, Summers Nagy Law Offices  
Staff: Gregory Downing and Keith Boatman

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order

Mr. Schlegel called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

2. Changes to Agenda

Mr. Downing stated that the approval of the minutes from the Special Public Board Meeting from September 20, 2023 were included in the packet for review

3. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

4. Approval of the Minutes from the September 20, 2023 Special Board Meeting

Upon motion by Ms. Jones second by Ms. Landis, the Board approved the September 20, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes as submitted.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

- A. **Election of Officers** – This meeting will be considered the annual organizational meeting of the Board for this year and will include the election of Officers. The slate presented

was: Jim Schlegel as Chairman, Tim Snyder as Vice-Chair, Jessica Jones as Treasurer and Gail Landis as Secretary.

Upon motion by Ms. Landis, seconded by Ms. Jones, the board approved the election of Jim Schlegel as Chairman, Tim Snyder as Vice-Chair, Jessica Jones as Treasurer and Gail Landis as Secretary.

- B. Re-Appointment of Solicitor for 2024** – This is the last year of a five year agreement with Summers Nagy to perform legal services as Solicitor for the Authority. A rate increase from \$175.00 per hour to \$200 per hour for 2024 has been provided for approval. Staff recommends approval.

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Landis, the board approved the re-appointment of Summers Nagy at Solicitor for 2024.

- C. Re-Appointment of Labor Services for 2024** – This is the last year of a five year agreement with Stevens & Lee to perform labor and other legal services for the Authority. A rate increase from \$287.00 per hour to \$300.00 per hour has been provided for approval. Staff recommends approval.

Upon motion by Ms. Landis, seconded by Ms. Jones, the board approved the re-appointment of Labor Services for 2024.

- D. Approval of Tentative Agreement with IAM** – A tentative four year agreement has been reached with IAM Local #447 through June 30, 2028. A copy of the Tentative Agreement is included in the Board packet. The union did ratify the tentative agreement on Wednesday, May 29, 2024. Staff recommends approval.

Upon motion by Ms. Landis, seconded by Ms. Jones, the board approved the tentative agreement with IAM.

## 7. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the public meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM upon motion by Ms. Landis, seconded by Ms. Jones.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail Landis

Secretary