



Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Allegany & Steuben Counties
Southern Tier Extension Railroad Authority

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John Margeson, Chairman

MINUTES – July 27, 2009

The Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Allegany, and Steuben Southern Tier Railroad Authority met at 9:30 a.m. on July 27, 2009 at the Center for Regional Excellence, Salamanca, New York. The following persons were in attendance:

Board Members

Jay Gould
James Cooper
Joseph Eade
Terry Everetts
Michael Brisky
Tim O'Grady
Seth Corwin
James Griffin

Representing

Chautauqua County
Chautauqua County
Cattaraugus County
Cattaraugus County
Cattaraugus County
Allegany County
Steuben County
Steuben County

Other Attending

Richard Zink

Representing

Southern Tier West

Call to Order and Introductions

Vice - Chairman Eade called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Introductions were made.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the June 15, 2009 Meeting

Motion was made to approve the June 15, 2009 minutes as presented. (Gould, Everetts, passing unanimously).

Bills and Communications

There will no Bills or Communications.

Report of the Treasurer

a. Treasurer's Report

Richard Zink, STERA Treasurer, distributed a Report for June 1 – June 30, 2009.

The STERA Board accepted the Treasurer's Report (Griffin, Cooper, passing unanimously).

Committee Reports

a. Audit Committee

b. Richard Zink reported that this Committee had not met as there was no business to transact.

c. **Governance Committee**

Joe Eade reported that this Committee had not met as there was no business to transact.

Unfinished Business

WNYP Report

No update was provided.

Status of Application Submitted to Renew and Rebuild NY Bond Program and NYSDOT Passenger & Freight Rail Assistance Program

No update was provided.

NYS Public Authorities Accountability ACT Compliance

No update was provided.

NYSDOT – STW Contract: Regional Transportation Plan Project

Mr. Zink reported that Southern Tier West is moving forward on their report and the draft report was submitted to NYSDOT.

Multi-modal Freight Transfer Facility & Manufacturing Center Project Status

Mr. Zink reported that Southern Tier West is still working on the project - - the next step is to meet with City of Olean.

Cattaraugus County Remediation Project Status

The board made a motion to send a letter to Crystal Abers, Cattaraugus County Chairman, copied to Dennis Tobolski, County Attorney stating that the Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Allegany, Steuben Southern Tier Extension Railroad Authority will reauthorize the resolution from January 2007 as per NYSDEC request once Cattaraugus County agrees to hold harmless the rail authority board from any future costs associated with the Randolph Dimension Remediation Project Site. Motion Griffin second Everetts, passed unanimously.

New Business

The board made a motion to expend up to \$10,000 for a consultant to write an application for the “TIGER” Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery funding available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) legislation that was enacted in February. Motion Corwin second Cooper, passed unanimously.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting Date and Agenda

The next STERA Board Meeting will be held on Monday, August 17th at 9:30 a.m. at the Center for Regional Excellence, Salamanca, New York.

Adjournment

The Board Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. (Eade, Gould, passing unanimously).