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**COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSIT**

**Wednesday, September 9, 2009 - 9:00 A.M.**  
**Courthouse Room 201 B**

**MINUTES**

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik\*, Larson\*, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)

\*Note: Supervisors Jursik and Larson were not present at roll call but appeared shortly thereafter.

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**The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g), for the purpose of the Committee receiving oral or written advice from legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending or possible litigation with regard to the following matter(s). At the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever actions it may deem necessary:**

**Real Estate- 1**

1. 09-347 From Corporation Counsel, requesting authorization for Corporation Counsel and the Department of Transportation, Public Works to amend the current parking lot lease agreement with Van Buren Management, Inc., with terms as described in the report and settlement of a pending lawsuit. **(Also to the Committee on Judiciary, Safety and General Services.)**

**APPEARANCES:**

William Domina, Corporation Counsel  
Craig Dillmann, Manager, Real Estate Services

Mr. Domina explained that this agreement relates to a lawsuit. The firm of Van Buren Management (VBM) sued the State and County regarding a long-term agreement with parking on land under I794 near the Summerfest grounds. This settlement allows VBM to have three five-year options for the parking lot. The agreement maximizes the number of spots. Additionally, payments are based on the appraised value of the land. Every five years a new appraisal will be done, and payments will be based on the most current appraisal.

Mr. Dillmann noted that if this settlement were accepted, the County would realize an increase in payments 10 months earlier. All money received is shared 50/50 with the State and County after expenses.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

Supervisor Clark is against any contract that isn't open to the bid process. This settlement allows the State to force Milwaukee County into a 15-year agreement.

**MOTION BY: (Borkowski)** Approve the said request. **(Vote 6-1)**

**AYES:** Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik\*, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-6

**NOES:** - Clark - 1

**EXCUSED:** - 0

\*Supervisor Jursik wasn't present when the vote was taken. She asked to be added to the majority vote. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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**Transit- 2**

- 2. 08-365 A report on feedback from an adopted resolution directing Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) authorization to start an on-bus pilot program to test full driver safety shields on 25-30 vehicles requiring an investment of \$75,000 or less to allow MCTS to obtain feedback about effectiveness. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**
- (a)

**APPEARANCES:**

Lloyd Grant, Assistant Managing Director, MCTS  
Rick Bassler. ATU 998  
Macon James, Bus Driver

Mr. Grant informed the Committee the installation of driver safety shields is a pilot program. Each shield cost \$525 and were installed on 25 buses for a total cost of approximately \$13,000. Ninety-five percent of the drivers used a bus equipped with the shields. Thirty-nine percent responded to the survey regarding the shields. The largest complaint was the glare from the shields causing a safety issue and their mandatory use. Fifty-seven percent of the respondents were against the entire fleet being equipped with the shields.

Mr. Bassler explained the original shields didn't protect the driver's faces. A new design is being proposing that is better in addressing issues with glare.

Mr. James explained the size of the test shield allowed the public access to the driver's head and lower body that could cause a distraction or injury.

On September 8, 2009, in a joint effort between management, drivers and the union, a new design was proposed. The union and management would like to continue testing the newly designed shield and allow for additional feedback.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

Supervisor Mayo assured the union and MCTS that Milwaukee County responded to the concerns regarding driver safety, but if the shields aren't used, the decision will be based on the union and drivers feedback.

Mr. Grant stated that a security program is in place, the shields are a compliment to that program. The shields would be the only barrier between the drivers and the public.

***The Committee took no action on this informational item.***

3. 09-333 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, requesting transit property located at 5478 South Packard Avenue and 3618 East Grange Avenue be declared surplus and available for sale. **(Also to the Committee on Economic and Community Development.)**

**APPEARANCE:**

Grant Lloyd, Assistant Managing Director, MCTS

Supervisor Clark stated that the Committee on Economic and Community Development would not address this item until an interested party comes forward and a sale is considered.

**MOTION BY: (Clark)** Declare the land excess to County needs. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

**Resolution- 1**

4. 09-345 A resolution by Supervisor Jursik, requesting that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) complete the study of the maintenance and redecking of the Hoan Bridge and provide the results of the study to Milwaukee County, effected municipalities and the legislature before any additional studies are conducted for alternatives that would demolish the existing bridge.

**APPEARANCES:**

Supervisor Patricia Jursik, District #8

Ken Yunker, Director Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Supervisor Jursik informed the Committee that Supervisor Dimitrijevic requested being added as a cosponsor. There being no objection it was so ordered.

SEWRPC is the regional planning commission for Southeastern Wisconsin and considers the Hoan Bridge an important part to this transportation corridor.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

It has been reported in the papers, that Milwaukee has the largest manufacturing base than any other state. Supervisor Jursik has received numerous calls regarding the effects any changes to the Hoan Bridge would have on the manufacturing economy in Milwaukee. At this time, she has over 2000 signatures including support from many local politicians on the "Coalition to Save the Hoan Bridge."

Mr. Yunker explained that a study done a few years ago by the State, expressed the need for Hoan Bridge to remain a six-lane freeway. SEWRPC would be willing to review the report from HNBT that changes the bridge to a boulevard at street level and report back on the impacts compared to the previous study.

Supervisor Borkowski commended Supervisor Jursik on her leadership regarding this issue.

**MOTION BY: (Jursik) Approve. (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

**Community Development Business Partners – 1**

5. 09-335 From Director, Community Business Development Partners, requesting authorization to submit the annual DBE goals for USDOT Assisted Projects, to both the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for anticipated contracts in Federal Fiscal Year 2010. **(Also to the Committee on Economic and Community Development.)**

**APPEARANCE:**

Freida Webb, Director, Community Business Development Partners

Ms. Webb gave the highlights of the report.

**MOTION BY: (Borkowski) Approve the said request. (Vote 5-2)**

**AYES:** Mayo, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik and Larson - 5

**NOES:** - Sanfelippo and Clark (Chair) - 2

**EXCUSED:** - 0

**Airport - 6**

6. 08-44 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, a report on FAA record of approval on an adopted resolution of the Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 Noise Study Update. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**
- (a)

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

**APPEARANCE:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

This report is the closure to Part 150 Noise Study. The FAA rejected six recommendations from the aircraft operational recommendations section.

All land use management and program management, and administrative recommendations were approved.

Mr. Bateman said GMIA's recommendation to keep planes flying over homes that have been insulated was rejected by the National FAA. The local level FAA office has agreed to meet with GMIA to discuss this issue.

Both Supervisors Borkowski and Larson gave kudos to the staff of GMIA for the time given to constituents addressing their concerns.

**MOTION BY: (Borkowski)** Receive and place on file. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

7. 08-44  
(a)(b) From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to retain Corlett, Skaer & DeVoto Architects, Inc., (CSDA) as program management consultant for implementation of the FAR Part 150 Noise Study Update Land Use Management Element Recommendations.

**APPEARANCE:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

Mr. Bateman introduced the staff of CSDA. He informed the Committee that 650 homes are eligible for noise mitigation. All of the respondents to the RFP were from out of state.

**MOTION BY: (Clark)** Approve the said request. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

8. 09-334 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to amend Airport Agreement OL-1928 and TB-1920 between Milwaukee County and Integrated Deicing Solutions, Inc. to continue these agreements on a month-to-month basis.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

**APPEARANCE:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

**MOTION BY: (Clark)** Approve the said request. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

9. 07-283  
(a)(g)

From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to amend Airport Agreements CN-1917 with Host International Inc., and CN-1906 with SSP America, Inc., to reduce Airport employee discounts from 20% to 10%.

**APPEARANCE:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

Supervisors Jursik and Clark had concerns about reopening a signed contract that went through the bid process.

**MOTION BY: (Borkowski)** Approve the said request. **(Vote 5-2)**

**AYES:** Borkowski, Weishan, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-5

**NOES:** - Clark and Jursik-2

**EXCUSED:** - 0

10. 08-213  
(a)(a)

From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to enter into an easement with Clear Channel, Inc., for the purpose of relocating an advertising sign necessitated by the relocation of South 6<sup>th</sup> Street as part of the Runway Safety Area project at General Mitchell International Airport.

**APPEARANCE:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

The permanent easement was with the prior landowner and is attached to the deed of the property. This allows the owner the right to have a billboard and the maintenance on it.

**MOTION BY: (Clark)** Approve the said request. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

## SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

11. 08-46 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, a presentation on an  
(a)(b) adopted resolution from Tatum & Associates, LLC on the administrative and  
organizational study of General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA).  
**(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

*This item was taken out of order following Item #5.*

### **APPEARANCES:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

Ken Tatum, Tatum & Associates, LLC

Michael Marony, MGM Associates

Darryl Daniels, Jacobsen/Daniels Associates, LLC

This presentation is in response for a review of the administrative and organization management of GMIA.

These recommendations are a collaborated effort with three firms. The objectives were to identify the strengths and weaknesses and compare GMIA with comparable sized airports throughout the country. GMIA was compared to five similar airports. Additionally, GMIA has a very dedicated and seasoned staff that work effectively and efficiently.

Three conclusions that are made in the report include: The Airport Division of the Department Transportation and Public Works (TPW) is an enterprise fund whereas other departments within TPW are in the general fund and have different structure and restrictions. In addition to the Finance and Administration Director, the Department should add a Commercial Director. The business has changed drastically over the last 10 years. There is a need to restructure airport compensation. Some areas of compensation are 30% under comparable airports. It will be hard to recruit and retain employees at the current levels. There is a need for more diversity in staff and management.

There will be some minor adjustments to the final report that should be available within a couple of weeks.

**MOTION BY: (Borkowski)** Receive and place on file the handout of the presentation. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

**Transportation and Public Works- 1**

12. 09-128 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, a report on an  
(File adopted resolution regarding projects of local roadway and bridge projects funded  
Correction with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding. **INFORMATIONAL**  
09-192 **UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**  
(a)(a)

**APPEARANCE:**

Jack Takerian, Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works

This report informs the Committee of two additional road projects that will be funded from stimulus funds. The projects were included in those submitted in stage two of the process.

**MOTION BY: (Borkowski)** Receive and place on file. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** - 0

**Fund Transfers**

13. 09-1 A summary of fund transfers being presented to the Finance and Audit Committee.  
**(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

**APPEARANCE:**

Jack Takerian, Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works

***The Committee took no action on this informational item.***

**Staff Present:**

Mr. William Domina, Corporation Counsel

Mr. Craig Dillmann, Manager, Real Estate Services

Ms. Grant Lloyd, Assistant Managing Director, MCTS

Ms. Freida Webb, Director, Community Business Development Partners

Mr. Barry Bateman, Director GMIA

Mr. Jack Takerian, Interim Director, DTPW

Mr. Brian Dranzik, Budget and Policy Administrator DTPW

Mr. Vince Masterson, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, DAS

Mr. Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, County Board

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

This meeting was not recorded due to technical difficulties. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes are available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting approximately: 9:09 a.m. until 10:37 a.m.

*Carol Mueller*

Committee Clerk

**DEADLINE FOR TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSIT COMMITTEE**

The next regular meeting for the Transportation Committee is **October 21, 2009.**

**Items for the agenda must be in the Committee Clerk's possession by the end of the business day on Tuesday, October 7, 2009.**

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