

**CASCO BAY ISLAND TRANSIT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF
April 28, 2022
In Person/Video Conference/Phone**

<u>Directors:</u>	<i>In-person:</i> Braden, Crowley, Radis, Wentworth <i>Video Conference:</i> Anderson, Cohen, Donovan (late), Higgins, Hoffman, Luedke, Murray <i>Phone:</i> Pizey
<u>Directors absent:</u>	
<u>Staff:</u>	<i>In-person:</i> Greven, Berg, C. Gildart, Mavodones <i>Video Conference:</i> Pottle, Bishop
<u>Public:</u>	<i>Video Conference:</i> L. Heineman, F. Somers, J. James, B. Carter, C. Chess, C. Hoppin
<u>Guests:</u>	<i>In person:</i> C. Badger

1. Call to Order:

- A. *The Board meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by President Braden*
- B. *It was noted that the meeting was being recorded*
- C. *President Braden asked Berg to do a roll call of who was attending the meeting, which he did.*

Staff Reports (Taken out of order)

- A. *Berg gave an update on the Peak's replacement vessel reporting that 3 qualified bids had been received with bids ranging from \$22.8M to \$25.6M. However, the lowest bid was still greater than the available funding. Since the bids were received staff has been able to identify additional funds to make up the deficit. Berg shared that the increase was primarily due to significant increases in material and labor costs but steel was not a major contributor this time.*
 - i) *Crowley spoke against proceeding*
 - ii) *Braden spoke in favor of proceeding*
 - iii) *Higgins spoke in favor of proceeding*
 - iv) *Cohen spoke against proceeding*
 - v) *Murray spoke in favor of proceeding*
 - vi) *Anderson asked clarifying questions*
 - vii) *Higgins shared that MaineDOT is experiencing similar cost increases and spoke in favor of proceeding*
 - viii) *Radis spoke about social issues*
 - ix) *Wentworth expressed concern about the cost increase*
 - x) *Hoffman spoke against and called for a special meeting to address whether to proceed or not.*
 - xi) *President Braden said a lot of the issues discussed were previously considered by the Board and asked Berg to answer the questions that had been raised, which he did.*
 - xii) *President Braden requested that each Director get back to him in 24 hours whether they supported a special meeting or not*

2. Approve the minutes of March 24, 2022 Board of Directors meeting

- A. *President Braden asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes.*
- B. *Crowley moved to approve the minutes included in the Board packet; Wentworth seconded.*
- C. *President Braden opened the floor to Board comments and there were none.*
- D. *President Braden called for a roll call vote of minutes as amended*
- E. *Berg did a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously (12-0)*



3. Business

A. Consideration and action to modify the Down Bay summer schedule

- i. *Berg gave an overview and history of the proposed Down Bay schedule including that the Operations Committee had reached a consensus to recommend the changes that were included in the Board packet to the Board,*
- ii. *President Braden asked if there was a motion*
- iii. *Crowley made a motion to modify the Down Bay summer schedule as presented in the Board packet; Wentworth seconded*
- iv. *President Braden opened the floor for public comments*
- v. *There were no public comments*
- vi. *President Braden opened the floor for Board comments*
- vii. *Donovan spoke in favor of the schedule and suggested adding a late-night inner bay extension of the last Peaks run of the day*
- viii. *Crowley spoke in favor of the new schedule and asked that if there had to be service cut due to staffing to cut Tours and Charters first and then inner bay runs.*
- ix. *Luedke spoke in favor but made a motion to amend the motion on the table to have it be a one-year pilot program to be revisited next year.*
- x. *Donovan seconded the motion*
- xi. *President Braden opened the floor for Board comments on the proposed amendment*
- xii. *There were no comments*
- xiii. *President Braden called for a roll call vote on the proposed amendment*
- xiv. *Berg did a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously (12-0)*
- xv. *President Braden opened the floor for Board comments on the amended motion*
- xvi. *Cohen shared her thoughts*
- xvii. *Hoffman spoke in favor*
- xviii. *Wentworth spoke in favor*
- xix. *President Braden called for a roll call vote on the amended motion*
- xx. *Berg did a roll call vote. The amended motion passed unanimously (12-0)*

B. Consideration and action to adopt a Holiday schedule for Thanksgiving and Christmas


- i) *Berg gave an overview and history of the proposed holiday schedule including that the Operations Committee voted to recommend the changes to the Board,*
- ii) *President Braden asked if there was a motion*
- iii) *Wentworth made a motion to approve the proposed Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday schedule as presented in the Board packet; Luedke seconded*
- iv) *President Braden opened the floor for public comments*
- v) *There were no public comments*
- vi) *President Braden opened the floor for Board comments*
- vii) *Donovan made a motion to postpone consideration and action until the next Board meeting because couldn't get feedback from Long Islanders in time for the meeting. Cohen seconded.*
- viii) *President Braden called for a roll call vote on the motion to postpone*
- ix) *Berg did a roll call vote. The motion to postpone passed unanimously (12-0)*

C. Executive Session

- i. Discussion with Labor Consultant on collective bargaining pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A Section 405(6)
(D)
 1. *President Braden opened the floor to public comments and there were none.*
 2. *President Braden asked if there was a motion to go into executive session*
 3. *Wentworth moved to go into executive session for a discussion with Labor Consultant on collective bargaining pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A Section 405(6) (D); Crowley seconded.*
 4. *President Braden called for a roll call*
 5. *Berg did a roll call vote. The amended motion passed unanimously (12-0)*
 6. *Public was excused and recording stopped*
 7. *The Board came out of Executive session at 9:28AM*



8. *Doors were opened back up and recording started*
 9. *President Braden asked if there was a motion*
 10. *Crowley made a motion to authorize the President and General Manager to enter into agreement with Maine Marine Association for the 2022-2024 Marine and Shoreside Collective Bargaining Agreements as presented on behalf of the Board of Directors; Donovan seconded*
 11. *President Braden opened the floor to public comments and there were none.*
 12. *President Braden opened the floor to Board comments*
 - a. *Crowley thanked everyone*
 - b. *Braden thanked everyone*
 13. *President Braden called for a roll call*
 14. *Berg did a roll call vote. The amended motion passed unanimously (12-0)*
4. **Workshops**
 - A. *There were no workshops*
5. **General Information Reports**
 - A. **Financial Report**
 - a) *No report was given due to time constraints*
 - B. **Committee Reports**
 - a) *No report was given due to time constraints*
 - C. **Staff Reports**
 - a) *No report was given due to time constraints*
6. **General Announcements**
 - A. Establish next meeting dates: (all meetings at 7:45 AM unless indicated otherwise)
 - i) Executive Committee: Thursday, May 5
 - ii) Operations Committee: Thursday, May 19
 - iii) Finance Committee: Wednesday, May 25
 - iv) Board of Directors: Thursday, May 26
 - v) Sales & Marketing Committee: No meeting planned
 - vi) Personnel Committee: No meeting planned
 - vii) Government Relations Committee: No meeting planned
 - viii) Pension Committee: No meeting planned
7. **Public Comment**
 - a. *President Braden opened the floor for Public comments on items not on the agenda*
 - i) *There were no public comments*
8. **Adjournment**
 - A. *Wentworth moved to adjourn the meeting; Crowley seconded.*
 - B. *The motion passed unanimously (12-0) and the meeting was adjourned*

Respectfully submitted by: 
James Michael Luedke (Jun 15, 2022 19:30 EDT)
James Luedke, Clerk