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INYO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Bishop City Council Chambers
301 W. Line Street
Bishop, CA 93514**

DATE: August 21, 2019

9:00 a.m. Doug Thompson called the meeting to order.

ITEM NO. 1 Roll Call

Commissioners Present:

Doug Thompson
Rick Pucci
Chris Costello
Steven Muchovej
Matt Kingsley

Others present:

Brian Winzenread, Caltrans
Jill Batchelder, Caltrans
Phil Moores, ESTA
Ryan Dermody, Caltrans
Michael Errante, Executive Director
John Pinckney, Staff
Cynthia Browning, LTC Secretary

ITEM NO. 2 Public Comment

None

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM NO. 3 Secretary of the Local Transportation Commission - Request approval of the minutes of the meeting of June 19, 2019.

*Commissioner Muchovej motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Pucci seconded it.

*All in favor 5

ITEM NO. 4 Request Commission approve the FTA 5310 Coordination Plan Certification for the Non- Emergency Medical Transportation Program and Bishop Dial-A-Ride replacement vehicles and authorizes the LTC Executive Director to sign the Coordinated Plan Certification.

*Phil Moores of ESTA said that this is a routine request that involves reimbursing people for taking themselves and their cars to places that are not available here in the county.

*Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Pucci and was seconded by Commissioner Costello. All in favor 5

ITEM NO. 5 Request Commission consider approval of Resolution No. 2019-07 that 1) approves ESTA's State of Good Repair project list and 2) authorizes the Executive Director to sign documents related to the State of Good Repair program for FY 2019-2020.

*Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Costello and seconded by Commissioner Muchovej. All in favor 5.

ITEM NO. 6 Request Commission consider approval of Resolution No. 2019-08 allocating the remaining balance of TEA funds and all accrued interest (est. \$17,022.10) to The City of Bishop for the Seibu to School Path Project.

*Motion to approve was motioned by Commissioner Costello and seconded by Commissioner Pucci. All in favor 5.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 7 ESTA REPORT

*Phil Moores reported ridership from May is up from 17.5 percent over last year. Dial-A-Ride wait times are good. Road calls are low. June ridership went down due to the late snow. He stated that ESTA is addressing in house issues on safety and speed in the yard. The maintenance program is still struggling due to issues with the fleet due to delayed mechanics attention to the vehicles. Phil said that he has reduced inspection time from 120 days to 60 days with the plan to reduce time down to 45 days. Phil went on to say that ESTA has 70 employees which is very good.

Phil also reported that he hopes to have the new facility at the airport done by the fall of 2020/2021. Commissioner Rick Pucci asked if the new airport will provide ESTA with new opportunities for providing transportation. Phil answered that he has put together an estimate on what the shuttle service would cost between Bishop and Mammoth. He says it would depend on the flight schedule. Mike Errante, Executive Director, added that he is looking at different avenues for providing a shuttle and ESTA has been approached but it depends on the flight schedules.

ITEM NO. 8 TRIBAL REPORT
NONE

ITEM NO. 9 CALTRANS REPORT

*Ryan Dermody of Caltrans reported on the Caltrans Quarterly update that was included in the agenda packet on Pg. 30.

*Steve Muchovej asked, unrelated to the current projects entailed on the quarterly report, if Caltrans had any plans to rectify the increasing traffic accidents near the Grocery Outlet in Bishop. Ryan stated that he believes that flashers will be put on the stop signs and that the area was on their radar.

*Brian Winzenread reported on the CTC's STIP funds estimate. He stated that there is lower capacity in the STIP and gave three reasons why.

1. Fuel consumption is down
2. The new rules are going into effect but we are still feeling the repercussions of what was in effect before. The board of equalization chose not to increase. It was kept at 11.7 cents. The 2018 funds estimate assumed an increase of 14.1 cents.
3. Funding was allowed for advanced project development which is good but it has now cost about 700 million to the STIP. The outcome of the current STIP cycle is that any of the program projects in there now will not be delayed.

*Jill Batchelder reported that there will be a call for projects in regard to the FLAP Grants next fall. The Sustainable Communities and Strategic Partnership Grants were just released and the applications are due in October. The City of Bishop also has a Sustainable Community Grant to revision housing in the Main Street Corridor.

ITEM NO. 10 CITY OF BISHOP REPORT

*David Grah reported that the West Jay Street Extension Project is out to bid. Construction should begin between October and December of 2019. Spruce Hanby Yaney sidewalks Project is looking to be delayed to the spring of 2020. David stated that this was his last LTC meeting.

ITEM NO.11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

*John Pinckney reported that the LTC submitted for the INFRA Grant in April and it was not awarded. He said that the BUILD Grant was also submitted but stated he was not optimistic. John said he received a few comments on the Regional Transportation Plan that went to the State Clearing House for environmental review. John w he will be bringing the final Regional Transportation Plan for the Commission's approval at the next LTC meeting.

*Mike Errante handed out maps with outlined current projects and gave a brief update.

ITEM NO.12 REPORTS FROM ALL MEMBERS OF THE INYO COUNTY LTC

No questions or comments were made

ADJOURNMENT 10:30 a.m.