



REGULAR BUSINESS

**MEETING OF THE
ST. JOHN'S TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

A meeting of the St. John's Transportation Commission was held on Thursday, November 28, 2019 commencing at Noon at the Metrobus Transit Centre, 25 Messenger Drive.

Present at the meeting were:

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| Ian Froude | Chair/Councillor |
| Shawn Skinner | Vice Chair |
| Colleen Galgay | Commissioner |
| Kirsten Morry | Commissioner |
| Paul Walsh | Commissioner |
| Dave Lane | Commissioner/City Councillor |
| Hope Jamieson | Commissioner/City Councillor |
| Kevin Breen | City Manager |
| Judy Powell | General Manager |
| Linda Ryan | Administrative Assistant |

Absent:

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| Derek Coffey | Deputy City Manager, Financial Management |
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I. PROCEDURAL

- The Chair called the meeting to order.
- L. Ryan recorded the minutes of the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

- The Vice Chair moved that the agenda for this meeting date be approved as circulated; Commissioner Walsh seconded the motion.
- Commissioner Walsh moved that the minutes of the regular business meeting of the Commission held on October 31, 2019 be approved; Commissioner Galgay seconded the motion.

III. BUSINESS ARISING

- There was no business arising from the regular minutes.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Financial Statements—October, 2019

- The financial statements for October, 2019 were tabled and discussed.

2. Executive Summary—October, 2019 (Regular)

- The Executive Summary for October, 2019 was tabled and reviewed. The following item was noted:

• GOCards

Gocards will no longer be sold by MVT (onboard vehicles or at their office). Effective January 1, 2020, GoCards will be available for sale at all the same outlets as mCards. There will be six (6) locations where GoCards can be purchased:

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| —Avalon Mall | —Two (2) Shoppers Drug Marts |
| — City Hall | —University Centre and post secondary schools |

V. OTHER (Information/Community)

1. Downtown Santa Claus Parade Shuttles

- Metrobus again partnered with the City of St. John's and Downtown St. John's in providing shuttle service for the Annual Downtown Christmas Parade on Sunday, November 24th.
- Attendees were encouraged to take the free Metrobus Santa Shuttles starting at 10 AM with return shuttles operating immediately following the parade. Shuttles were available from:
 - Confederation Building parking lot, Prince Philip Drive, to/from Bannerman Road
 - NL Housing Building, 2 Canada Drive, to/from Mile One Centre
 - GoBus drop off and pick up location is on George Street.

2. Climate Change March

- With safety and accessibility in mind, organizers decided to postpone the November 29th "Friday for Futures Climate Change March" due to weather.
- The March has been re-scheduled for December 13th, weather permitting.
- The Commission agreed to again provide free transit rides on the day of the March between 10 AM—2 PM for all Metrobus customers.

3. Annual Employee Christmas Luncheon

- On December 12th, following the regular business meeting, Commissioners and Metrobus managers will serve employees a traditional turkey dinner in the Transit Operators' Lounge.
- Employees look forward to this event every year. Because of work schedules, it's the only time when people from all departments can gather together.

4. Ugly Sweater Month

- Throughout the month of December, Transit Operators are permitted to wear their favourite ugly Christmas sweaters with their uniforms to work.
- The light-hearted tradition is welcomed by customers and feedback has been positive amongst the public.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further regular business to discuss at this time, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:20 PM immediately followed by an in-camera meeting of the Commission.
- Regular business meetings of the Commission are normally held on the last Thursday of each month. Special meetings are called as needed.
- The next regular business meeting of the Commission will be held on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at the Metrobus offices, 25 Messenger Drive.

Respectfully submitted,

Ian Froude
Chair

Linda Ryan
Administrative Assistant