# **General Manager's Report**

## June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

## 1. COVID Update

In May, ridership exceeded pre-pandemic levels - 11.3% higher than May 2019. GoBus ridership is approximately 70% of 2019.

#### 2. Radio System

Due to delays in arrival of equipment, the move of the radio system to the NTV tower in Shea Heights has been postponed from June  $17^{th} - 22^{nd}$  to the week of July  $4^{th}$ .

## 3. Electrification Plan

The detailed Implementation Plan Scope has been received from CUTRIC (Canadian Urban Transit Research & Innovation Consortium) for our review. Once the scope has been confirmed, the project will begin.

#### 4. Disposable Passes

Disposable m-Cards are offered as an option to reloadable cards. Most of the cards are sold to organizations who wish to provide temporary transportation to clients or customers loaded with 2 or 4 rides. In addition to the cost of the rides, we have charged a \$3.00 fee to cover the cost of the card. Recently we have found a new supplier for the cards at a much lower cost such that we can lower the fee to \$0.50 card.

## 5. RFP – GoBus Service

The closing date for the RFP has been extended from June 30 to July 8<sup>th</sup>.