

Brazos County Regional Mobility Authority

Board Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2021

- **Certification of Quorum**

Voting members present were Tedi Ellison, Chair, Presiding; Dennis Christiansen, Vice Chair; Jason Bienski, Board Member; Veronica Morgan, Board Member; and Alan Munger, Board Member. The minutes were taken by Lisa Lyon, RMA Administrative Assistant. Additional participants included Steve Aldrich, Deb Albert, Jayson Barfknecht, Bart Benthul, Nancy Berry, Doug Bramwell, Elizabeth Cunha, Michael Copeland, Catherine Hejl, Paul Kaspar, Taslima Khandaker, Doug Marino, Rob Maxwell, John Nichols, Marc Oliphant, Duane Peters, John Polster, Juan Quiroz, Dan Rudge, Jason Schubert, Lance Simmons, and Phillip Tindall.

- **Welcome and Open Meeting**

Ms. Ellison called to order the regular meeting of the Brazos County Regional Mobility Authority Board at 9:00 a.m. on January 27, 2021. Due to continued COVID-19 constraints, the meeting was held via Zoom. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags followed by an invocation given by Ms. Ellison.

- **Public Comments Regarding Items Not on the Agenda**

There were no public comments.

- **Adoption of Minutes from December 16, 2020, RMA Board Meeting**

Minutes from the December 16, 2020, Regional Mobility Board Meeting were considered for adoption. **A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dr. Christiansen. The motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan. There was no discussion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.**

- **Approval of RMA 2020 Compliance Report**

Each year the RMA is required to submit a report to the TxDOT Executive Director within 150 days after the end of the RMA fiscal year. The RMA Board must approve the report before it can be submitted to the Commission. The Board members have already received a copy of the report. Ms. Ellison opened the floor for comments regarding the report. Mr. Phillip Tindall, the state RMA Coordinator, informed the Board that the report could be transmitted electronically to Mr. Bass and he would provide email addresses to Ms. Lyon. **Mr. Bienski made the motion to approve the 2020 Compliance Report and that it be submitted to the TxDOT Executive Director. The motion was seconded by Mr. Munger. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.**

- **Board Member Reports**

There were no board member reports.

- **Chairman's Report**

Ms. Ellison stressed the significance of the RMA legislation and its importance to the continuance of the RMA. She further reiterated that the legislation is not implementing a \$10 increase to the vehicle registration fee, but asking authorization to hold an election in Brazos County allowing voters to decide on the increase. Once approved, the Board will need to show voters a compelling reason to vote for the increase in fees.

Ms. Ellison's term ends on February 1, 2021. The Governor's Office asked Ms. Ellison to continue as Chair for a two-year term. Ms. Ellison respectfully declined the reappointment. She thanked everyone for their assistance and encouraged the Board to continue with their excellent work.

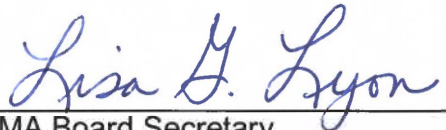
- **Adjourn**

The RMA Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

ATTEST:



RMA Board Chair or Vice-Chair
Brazos County Regional Mobility Authority



RMA Board Secretary

5 MAY 2021

Date