

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Transit Services Committee held in the CVRD Boardroom, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, on April 14, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Director Seymour, Chair  
Director Morrison, Vice-Chair  
Directors, Duncan, Giles, Iannidinardo, Kent, Kuhn , and  
Alternate Director Burgess

**ABSENT:** Directors Cossey, Harrison, Haywood and McGonigle

**ALSO** Warren Jones, CAO, CVRD

**PRESENT:** Jim Wakeham, Manager, Facilities, Transit & Fleet  
B. Dennison, P. Eng., General Manager, E & E  
Peter Murray, BC Transit  
Joanne Bath, Recording Secretary

**APPROVAL  
OF AGENDA**

Item NB1 – Scheduling Adjustments was added under New Business.

**It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADOPTION  
OF MINUTES**

Director Duncan asked that the minutes reflect his opposition to the abandonment of the Koksilah Road bus stop, as it is of importance to Electoral Areas D and E.

**It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the February 10, 2010 regular Transit Services Committee meeting be adopted as amended.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
FROM MINUTES**

**BA1**

Mr. Wakeham noted that item R1.1 (2010 Free Transit Days, June 2, and December 17, 2010), was modified at the March 10, 2010 Board to include the Handy-DART transit system.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence

**REPORTS**

**R1**

The BC Transit revised 2010/2011 budget was presented by the Manager, Facilities, Fleet and Transit. Mr. Wakeham explained that as a result of BC Transit's budget being revised after the CVRD Transit budget (function 107) was approved, there is a potential \$100,000

shortfall. It was suggested that BC Transit will be looking into some accounts more closely to see if there is some expense flexibility and some possible CVRD funding options were provided to the committee.

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

**R2**

A report was considered from BC Transit providing a transit service fare review and options.

Mr. Wakeham advised the Committee that staff support BC Transit’s recommendation for nominal fare increases.

Peter Murray, BC Transit, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding an increase in fares commencing July 1, 2010.

**It was moved and seconded that the following BC Transit Conventional Service rates be implemented July 1, 2010:**

		<u>Current</u>	<u>July 1, 2010</u>
<b>Cash Fare</b>	<b>Adult</b>	\$ 1.75	\$ 2.00
	<b>Student/Senior</b>	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.75
	<b>Children under 5</b>	Free	Free
<b>Tickets (book of ten)</b>	<b>Adult</b>	\$ 14.00	\$ 16.00
	<b>Student/Senior</b>	\$ 11.50	\$ 13.50
<b>Monthly Pass</b>	<b>Adult</b>	\$ 43.00	\$ 48.00
	<b>Student/Senior</b>	\$ 32.50	\$ 36.00
	<b>College Student</b>	\$ 32.50	\$ 36.00
	<b>College semester</b>	\$100.00	\$112.00

**MOTION CARRIED**

**It was moved and seconded that staff prepare a report for the Transit Committee with respect to structure of funding and affect of outcomes for the future Transit services.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**It was moved and seconded that the BC Transit HandyDART service rates be increased from \$2.00 to \$2.25, effective July 1, 2010.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**R3**

A report from BC Transit was considered providing a review of the Commuter Service and Park and Ride sites.

**It was moved and seconded that the following BC Transit Commuter Service rates be implemented July 1, 2010 to replace the two zone fare structure with a one zone fare:**

<b>Cash Fare</b>	<b>Zone 1</b>	\$ 6.00	\$ 7.00
	<b>Zone 2</b>	\$ 8.00	\$ 7.00
<b>Tickets (book often)</b>	<b>Zone 1</b>	\$ 54.00	\$ 63.00
	<b>Zone 2</b>	\$ 72.00	\$ 63.00

<b>Monthly pass</b>	<b>Zone 1</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	<b>\$165.00</b>
	<b>Zone 2</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$165.00</b>
<b>Monthly South Island pass</b>	<b>Zone 1</b>	<b>\$185.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
	<b>Zone 2</b>	<b>\$235.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>

**MOTION CARRIED**

Discussion took place regarding the environmental affect and a need for buffering or screening at the Park & Ride sites and adjusting certain commuter stop locations schedule times by a few minutes, to better service the customers.

Director Duncan asked that BC Transit note his opposition to the Koksilah Road stop being closed.

**It was moved and seconded that the Board support BC Transit's recommendation to close the Park & Ride at Hutchinson Road, effective July 1, 2010, and further that customers be encouraged to use either the Valley View or Frayne Road Park & Ride sites.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**R4**

Mr. Wakeham reported on the April 1<sup>st</sup> accident involving a commuter bus on the Malahat, at the south Shawnigan Lake turn off. He advised that the driver did a miraculous job of keeping the bus out of oncoming traffic and preventing serious injuries to passengers.

**It was moved and seconded that a letter be sent to the driver of the bus involved in the accident on the Malahat April 1<sup>st</sup>, recognizing his heroic effort.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**NB1**

Director Morrison spoke to scheduling adjustments.

**It was moved and seconded that staff, BC Transit and the contractor explore fall scheduling adjustments for Routes 7, 20 and 21, within the existing 2010 budget framework.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RESOLVE INTO  
CLOSED SESSION  
5:05 p.m.**

**It was moved and seconded that the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the Community Charter, Part 4, Division 3, Sections 90 {(1) (j)}.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RISE FROM  
CLOSED SESSION  
5:10p.m**

**It was moved and seconded that the Committee rise without report**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

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Chair

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Recording Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_