February 9, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.

GATRA Advisory Board Meeting Mansfield Town Hall, 2nd Floor Room AB 6 Park Row Mansfield, MA 02048

At 3:00 p.m. Mayor Heroux called the meeting to order. Mayor O'Connell made the motion, Kevin Dumas seconded. Roll call attendance was taken by community with weighted vote. In attendance:

Attleboro (5.40) Mayor Heroux
Bellingham (2.59) Josie Dutil
Berkley (1.38), Heather Martin Sterling
Carver (1.61) Connie Kelly
Duxbury (2.25) Joanne Moore
Foxborough (1.98) Marc Craig
Hanover (3.57) Tammy Murray
Lakeville (1.59) Kelly Howley
Mansfield (2.80) Kevin Dumas
Marshfield (3.04) Greg Guimond
Medway (1.96) Courtney Riley

Middleboro (2.79) Mark Germain

Norfolk (2.24) Scott Bragdon
North Attleboro (3.26) Antonio Morabito
Pembroke (2.53) Joseph Ryan
Plympton (1.0) Colleen Thompson
Rehoboth (1.21) Bradley Marshall
Scituate (2.32) Linda Hayes
Seekonk (2.11) Brittany Faria
Taunton (5.49) Mayor O'Connell
Wareham (3.20) Alan Slavin
Wrentham (1.92) Janet Angelico
ADA Advocate (1.0) Michael Raymond

A quorum was met. Also, in attendance: Dan Burgess, Angie Constantino, Nancy Foley, Francis Gay, Patrick Sullivan, Esq., Michele Randazzo

1 Minutes from January 12, 2022 and January 27, 2022 Advisory Board Meetings

Alan Slavin made motion to approve the Minutes from January 12, 2022 and January 27, 2022 Advisory Board Meetings as distributed. Michael Raymond seconded, a roll call vote was taken:

Attleboro (5.40) Mayor Heroux-aye
Bellingham (2.59) Josie Dutil-aye
Berkley (1.38), Heather Martin Sterling-aye
Carver (1.61) Connie Kelly-aye
Duxbury (2.25) Joanne Moore-aye
Foxborough (1.98) Marc Craig-aye
Hanover (3.57) Tammy Murray-aye
Lakeville (1.59) Kelly Howley-aye
Mansfield (2.80) Kevin Dumas-aye
Marshfield (3.04) Greg Guimond-aye

Medway (1.96) Courtney Riley-aye
Middleboro (2.79) Mark Germain-aye
Pembroke (2.53) Joseph Ryan-aye
Plympton (1.0) Colleen Thompson-aye
Scituate (2.32) Linda Hayes-aye
Seekonk (2.11) Brittany Faria-aye
Taunton (5.49) Mayor O'Connell-aye
Wareham (3.20) Alan Slavin-aye
ADA Advocate (1.0) Michael Raymond-ay

Norfolk (2.24) Scott Bragdon and North Attleboro (3.26) Antonio Morabito – abstained. The motion to approve the minutes passed.

2. Discussion of hiring process for new GATRA Administrator

Frank informed the Board that GATRA has contracted with Community Paradigm Associates. This agency has lot of experience with RTA's and Municipality placements. Most recently Paradigm has worked with Merrimac Valley RTA on the placement of their new Administrator. They are looking for input on any qualities the Board may be looking for in the next Administrator. Please send any comments to Frank. Paradigm has put together an informational piece on GATRA that gives a good overview. The goal is to advertise the position by the first week of March. The consultants also wanted the board to weigh in on the Pay scale. Frank believes that \$120-\$140 range is reasonable to post. The Board requested that Frank get the current pay scale from the Administrators of the 15 RTA's. Frank is looking for Board volunteers for the candidate screening process.

Frank reported the Governor's Budget came out last week and they have level funded our line item. They have set up \$3.5 million in funds as discretionary grants, which in effect reduces statewide RTA operating funds. Frank will be sending out more information as the budget process begins and will be asking the Board to reach out to the Representatives. The Governor's budget also eliminated in our statute 161(b) section 23 which dictates how the State should be paying the RTA's. The state is looking to go to a different system, which Frank believes is detrimental to the RTA's.

3. Executive Session.

Kevin Dumas moved that the Board enter executive session and invite Dan Burgess, Angie Constantino, Nancy Foley, Michele Randazzo and Patrick Sullivan for the following purposes: to Approve Minutes from the January 12th and January 27th Executive Sessions and to Amend the Minutes from the December 6th Executive Session and Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to litigation where having an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Authority's litigating position, and the Chair hereby so declares and Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(2), to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel. The board will not reconvene into open session. Mayor O'Connell seconded, a roll call vote was taken:

Attleboro (5.40) Mayor Heroux-aye
Bellingham (2.59) Josie Dutil-aye
Berkley (1.38), Heather Martin Sterling-aye
Carver (1.61) Connie Kelly-aye
Duxbury (2.25) Joanne Moore-aye
Foxborough (1.98) Marc Craig-aye
Hanover (3.57) Tammy Murray-aye
Lakeville (1.59) Kelly Howley-aye
Mansfield (2.80) Kevin Dumas-aye
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Norfolk (2.24) Scott Bragdon-aye
North Attleboro (3.26)Antonio Morabito-aye
Pembroke (2.53) Joseph Ryan-aye
Plympton (1.0) Colleen Thompson-aye
Rehoboth (1.21) Bradley Marshall-aye
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Seekonk (2.11) Brittany Faria-aye
Taunton (5.49) Mayor O'Connell-aye
Wareham (3.20) Alan Slavin-aye
Wrentham (1.92) Janet Angelico-aye
ADA Advocate (1.0) Michael Raymond-aye

The motion passed. The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 3:40 p.m. and will not return to open session.