

**YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM
(YARTS) JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

MINUTES

October 24, 2016

The regular meeting of the Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS) Joint Powers Authority Board was held Monday, October 24, 2016, at the Mariposa County Government Center, Board of Supervisors Chambers, 5100 Bullion Street, Mariposa, CA and conducted by video/teleconference at the Merced County Association of Governments, Front Conference Room, 369 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA, Sierra Center Mall, Board of Supervisors Conference Room, Third Floor, 452 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA, Fresno Council of Governments, 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, CA, and the City of Huron, Council Chambers, 36311 S. Lassen Avenue, Huron, CA and was called to order by Director Corless at 1:05 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tim Alpers, Mono County Supervisor (via video/teleconference)
John Carrier, Mariposa County Supervisor
Sylvia Chavez, Mayor, City of Huron (via teleconference)
Stacy Corless, Mono County Supervisor (via video/teleconference)
John Pedrozo, Merced County Supervisor (via video/teleconference)
Rosemarie Smallcombe, Mariposa County Supervisor
Hub Walsh, Merced County Supervisor (via video/teleconference)
Tom Wheeler, Madera County Supervisor

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Gray, Tuolumne County Supervisor
Stephen Hill, Mayor, City of Kerman

OTHERS PRESENT

Peggy Arnest, Fresno Council of Governments (via teleconference)
Denise Demery, VIA Adventures (via video/teleconference)
Jim Donovan, AAC Committee (via video/teleconference)
Bob Gardner, Eastern Sierra Interpretive Association (via video/teleconference)
Cindy Kelly, YARTS staff (via video/teleconference)
Kathleen Morse, Yosemite National Park Service
Danna Stroud, AAC Committee Chair (via video/teleconference)
Dick Whittington, YARTS staff

1. Introductions

So noted.

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Oral Report – Authority Advisory Committee Chair or Designee - Recommendations

Danna Stroud gave the report from the Authority Advisory Committee stating they did not have a quorum at their meeting.

4. Minutes of the July 18, 2016 YARTS JPA meeting

Director Walsh moved to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2016 YARTS JPA meeting. Seconded by Director Coreless.

Ayes – Directors Walsh, Coreless, Alpers, Smallcombe, Pedrozo, Carrier

Noes – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Information/Discussion Only

- a. VIA Monthly Service Reports for March 2016 – May 2016
- b. YARTS Ridership History/Visitation
- c. YARTS Financial Report/Budget Update
- d. Minutes of the April 6, 2016 YARTS AAC meeting
- e. YARTS Joint Powers Authority Meeting Dates for 2016-2017

So noted.

6. YARTS Quarterly Social Media Statistics

So noted.

7. Square Payment Services Pilot

So noted.

8. Online Reservation Pilot

So noted.

At this time, it was agreed upon by consensus to take Item 13 out of order.

13. YARTS Short Range Transit Plan - Timing

Dick Whittington gave an update on the YARTS Short Range Transit Plan and the timing involved.

Director Walsh stated that the defined opportunities should be discussed in the Short Range Transit Plan.

9. Service Contract Extension Proposal

Director Coreless moved to authorize the YARTS Executive Director to execute an extension of the existing service contract with VIA Adventures for a period of one year, under the same terms and conditions as the existing contract, and to include provision for month to month beyond the fixed term extension.

Seconded by Director Carrier.

Ayes – Directors Coreless, Alpers, Smallcombe, Pedrozo, Carrier

Noes – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. Caltrans-YARTS Master and Program Supplemental Agreements

Director Smallcombe moved to adopt:

- a. Resolution No. 2016/10-24-01 approving Master and Program Supplemental Agreements and authorizing the Executive Director to execute them; and
- b. Resolution No. 2016/10-24-02 authorizing the Executive Director to execute Program Supplemental Agreement No. F010 for CML-6305(012).

Seconded by Director Coreless.

Ayes – Directors Coreless, Alpers, Smallcombe, Pedrozo, Carrier

Noes – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. The Brown Act and Teleconferencing

So noted.

12. Conflict of Interest Code Required Filing

Director Smallcombe moved to authorize the YARTS Executive Director to execute Resolution No. 2016/10-24-03 establishing a Conflict of Interest Code for the Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS).

Seconded by Director Alpers.

Ayes – Directors Coreless, Alpers, Smallcombe, Pedrozo, Carrier

Noes – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. A Discussion of Opportunities

Director Smallcombe moved to direct staff to proceed with investigating options for cost savings proposed by sharing a joint maintenance facility.

Seconded by Director Coreless.

Ayes – Directors Coreless, Alpers, Smallcombe, Pedrozo, Carrier

Noes – None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. Oral Report – National Park Service

Jim Donovan gave the report from the National Park Service.

16. Oral Report – Manager’s Report

So noted.

17. Board of Directors’ Remarks

So noted.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE YARTS JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:45 P.M.