

MART Finance Committee/Executive Compensation Committee Meeting Minutes
Remotely
November 16, 2020 10:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 10:32 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: (constituting a quorum)

Mayor Stephen DiNatale	Fitchburg
Ken Troup	Bolton
Richard Maki	Sterling
Robert Pontbriand	Ayer
Joseph Layden	Littleton

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Selectperson Heather Billings	Westminster
Jan Robbins	Ashburnham

STAFF PRESENT:

Mohammed Khan, Bruno Fisher, James Sluss, Jessica Lashua, George Kahale and Keary Connors.

- Approval of Finance Committee Meeting Minutes, August 17, 2020

RESOLUTION-Robert Pontbriand of Ayer moved to approve the minutes from August 17, 2020.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

- FY2021 Budget P&L Review

James informed the Committee that the CARES money MART received will be used this year and next year. He also stated that some of MART's numbers are off because of COVID-19 but we have maintained all transportation during this time and drivers are protected.

- EOHHS Selection for HST Broker Negotiations – Regions I and II

Bruno informed the Committee that MART received notification from the State that MART was awarded Region 1 & 2 for the state contract, which is 87% of the state, GATRA was awarded Region 3. MART has begun negotiations with the State, we have had our attorneys look at it, and are in the process of having certain items in the contract changed. We also have funding in the current budget to hire additional people at the brokerage, these people are need to get ready to take over Region 1 and 2.

- Update on COVID Impact

Bruno informed the Committee that costs have increased due to COVID. The increased cost comes from items to keep the drivers protected and cleaning supplies. The State has signed level funding for this year.

- Other Business

Mo informed the Committee that we have about 3% occupancy at the garages which is generating little to no revenue. The MBTA is reducing the Commuter Rail service in the coming months.

The Committee discussed a 2% COLA for all MART employees.

RESOLUTION-Ken Troup of Bolton moved to recommend to the MART Advisory Board a 2% cost of living increase for all staff effective January 1, 2021. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.