



# Greater New Haven Transit District

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2020 – 10:00am

### Executive Committee Zoom Meeting

#### Executive Committee:

Mary Bigelow (Chair), Doug Hausladen (Vice-chair), Lee Grannis (Treasurer), Dan Kops, Ryan Knox, Dagmar Ridgway

#### Guests:

Niclas Ferland (Counsel to the District)

#### GNHTD Staff:

Mario Marrero, Interim Executive Director

Call to Order: As a quorum was present, Chairman Mary Bigelow called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Mr. Marrero provided operational and administrative updates including the latest COVID-19 impacts on the District. Lee Grannis asked for the names of the vendors we are testing in our vehicle camera trial be sent to the committee.

Mary Bigelow (Chair) asked if the District has heard any news in regard to budget reductions. At this time, we have not heard anything from ConnDOT about service/budget reductions. Lee Grannis brought up Congresswomen Rosa DeLauro's appointment to Chair of the House Appropriations Committee and that we could reach out to Lou Mangini to have conversations about our future needs and support. Doug Hausladen also mentioned the possibility of the District being the fiduciary grant recipient administering bus shelter funding to the region.

Discussion moved to next steps regarding our letters to be sent to legislators to assist in submitting our letter to OLR (Office of Legislative Research). Some committee members will reach out to members of the legislature to ask for their assistance. Mary Bigelow (Chair) also ask if there be a second letter to the attorney general looking for a response to our first request. On a motion by Doug Hausladen and seconded by Dan Kops, the motion was unanimously approved. Niclas Ferland (Counsel to the District) stated he would send the letter today. The committee will reassess at the March Executive Committee meeting.

Mary Bigelow (Chair) asked if our new facility money was safe so Mario Marrero will ask FTA if there is an expiration date on the funds during my monthly call with them. Lee Grannis stated would ask Congresswomen DeLauro's office to extend the expiration date.

Some discussion occurred on our previous meeting with ConnDOT and thoughts on the two properties. The committee felt Mario Marrero should attend the property walk with the Michael Baker team to give our perspective on District needs.

Mario Marrero reviewed upcoming board seat expirations and that he has reached out to all the towns with vacancies. Discussion occurred regarding the open positions. He will continue to work to fill all seats.

Doug Hausladen (Vice-chair) asked that Mario Marrero follow up with Michelle Duprey regarding vaccination deployment planning.

There being no further business brought before the committee, Ms Bigelow ask for a motion for adjournment. On a motion by Lee Grannis and seconded by Mr. Kops, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Mary E. Bigelow  
Chairman