

River Valley Metro Mass Transit District
Metro Centre, 1137 E 5000 North Road, Bourbonnais IL 60914
Board of Director Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2025

Chairman Argyelan called the regular monthly River Valley Metro Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

Attending Board Members: Chairman Mark Argyelan, Vice-Chairman Jerry Pearce, Secretary Nick Allen, Treasurer Ron Jackson, Board Members David Hinderliter, Kenny Blake.

Members Absent: Ryan Nugent

Staff Members Present: Managing Director Siron Sims, Director of Administration Mandy Taylor, Project Manager Cortney Koning, COO Ken Munjoy, Director of Facilities Tim Goodman, MPO Tobe Fulford

Others Present: We Drive U G.M. Rod Kimbrough

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Mandy Taylor

Public with Business to Come Before the Board:

None

Consent Agenda: Kenny Blake made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Jerry Pearce seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken of those in attendance, with all in favor. Consent agenda approved.

Communications:

Chairman's Report: Mark Argyelan

None

Managing Director's Report: Siron Sims

A planning session will follow the November board meeting. Lunch will be provided.

Operations Report:

Rod Kimbrough reported that we currently have 60 operators, 54 of whom are currently eligible to drive. He is working with We Drive U to get better train-the-trainer for our location. We had 2 preventable and 3 non-preventable accidents in the last month.

Siron Sims thanked Rod for his professionalism and leadership.

Ken Munjoy reported that September ridership this year was 51,119, compared to 53,905 last year. FY year-to-date rides are down 7.2 % from last year.

Complaints/Comments: Ken Munjoy

In the last month, there were 5 complaints, 4 of which were valid. We received 4 compliments. CCS and Transit Officers provided 63 rides.

Board Report:

Kenny Blake remarked that the facility looks very nice and complimented the facilities team for keeping it that way. Mark Argyelan commented that the same is true for the Manteno Transfer Centre.

New Business

Support Vehicle Quotes

We need a vehicle maintenance truck, a facilities truck, and a driver transport van. The vehicle maintenance truck is urgently needed due to the age and condition of the current truck. More than 20 dealers were contacted and asked to provide quotes. Court Street Ford is the low bidder. David Hinderliter made a motion to order the vehicle maintenance truck now and order the other 2 vehicles after the Federal Government shutdown ends. Nick Allen seconded the motion which passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

Auditor Proposals

An RFP was posted and advertised. We received 3 proposals. Our current auditor's proposal is significantly lower cost than the other two. Jerry Pearce made a motion to stay with our current auditor. Kenny Blake seconded the motion which passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

Federal Shutdown

The shutdown does not affect our operating funds at this point. Capital projects are on hold.

Old Business

None

Questions from the news media:

None

Other Business to come Before the Board:

None

Executive Session:

Nick Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:30 AM. Motion was seconded by Kenny Blake and passed in a roll call vote.

Nick Allen made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 8:48 AM. Motion was seconded by Kenny Blake and passed in a roll call vote.

Motion by Nick Allen and seconded by Jerry Pearce to resume Regular Session at 8:50 AM. Passed with a roll call vote.

Adjournment

Jerry Pearce made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 AM. Motion was seconded by Kenny Blake and passed unanimously in a voice vote.