



**MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

April 23, 2018

7:00 p.m.

George Howard Building, Columbia-Ellicott Room  
3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21043

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**AGENDA**

1. Approval of the March 27, 2018 Minutes
2. Public Comment
3. Announcements/Updates
  - i. Transit Development Plan
  - ii. Office of Transportation Advisory Groups
  - iii. US 1 Safety Evaluation
  - iv. June meeting dates
  - v. RTA Fares Policy
4. Old Business
  - i. Patuxent Branch Trail – Storage Facility
5. New Business
  - i. Land development plan review process
  - ii. Multimodal Transportation Board Role
  - iii. Bus Rapid Transit update
6. Adjournment

Future MTB Meetings Dates  
May 22, 2018  
June 28, 2018  
July 24, 2018



**iii. US 1 Safety Evaluation** (minute 6)

Clive said the consultant's safety evaluation should be complete and hopefully be available in the next month or so for the MTB review.

**iv. Walk Howard, Pedestrian Plan** (minute 6)

Clive said the comment period for the Walk Howard Pedestrian Plan will on March 30, 2018. OoT would be reworking the plan and would return to the MTB for review.

**v. April and June Meeting Dates** (minute 7)

Clive said that the MTB April and June meetings have conflicts with an RTA public hearing date scheduled on April 24 and a primary election on June 26. It was agreed the April meeting will be moved to Monday April 23, while the June meeting would be moved to Thursday June 28.

**4. Old Business** (minute 13)

**i. FY2019 Priority Letter** (minute 13)

Clive gave an update of the FY 2019 Priority Letter. The OoT sent the final draft letter to the County Executive, the Maryland Delegation and the Howard County Council. The MTB comments were forwarded to the County Executive. Larry Schoen felt the MTB's input had not been followed. Ron Hartman said the MTB's role was advisory. Clive said he would follow up with the County Executive's office.

**ii. Patuxent Branch Trail- Storage facility** (minute 40)

Clive gave an update of the Patuxent Branch Trail and Storage facility. A community meeting will be held on Thursday March 29, 2018, 7:00 pm at Hammond High School. Several Howard County department heads as well as the Columbia Association will attend to present and answer questions. Clive described the county's plan in general terms including during and after construction.

**5. New Business** (minute 47)

**i. Regional Transportation Agency (RTA)- Service Update, Improvement plan Update** (minute 47)

Cristin Tolen, RTA General Manager, gave a presentation of service improvements at the RTA. This Report was prepared in response to Clive's October 10, 2017 request for a report to address recent service issues that indicated systemic failures across RTA operations. The presentation covered the following:

- Call Taking and Information about Service
- Complaint Resolution-Customer Service and Training
- Communicating with Contract Manager on Service Day

- Maintenance and Improving the Vehicle Fleet
- Shelter Upgrade, Expansion, Maintenance and Cleaning
- Replacing previous CMRT/ Howard Transit Signs with RTA Signs

6. **Adjournment** (minute 92)

Ron adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm. The next MTB meeting is scheduled for **April 23, 2018 at 7:00 pm.**

*Clive Graham*

4/3/18

Clive Graham  
Executive Secretary

Date

*John Ainsley*

4/3/18

John Ainsley  
Recording Secretary

Date