

Metropolitan Taxicab Commission
July 22, 2022 @ 10:00 am
Commission Headquarters, 2628 Delmar, Via Zoom

Members present: Chairman: McNutt, Commissioners Satz, Rudawsky, Vianello, Asfaw
Absent: Commissioner Osho

Legal Department: Charles Billings

AGENDA & MINUTES

- The Meeting was called to order by Chairman McNutt at 10:01 AM and the roll was called: Commissioner Satz-present, Commissioner Asfaw-present, Commissioner Osho-absent, Commissioner Rudawsky-present, Commissioner Vianello-present and Chairman McNutt – present. A quorum being found the meeting began.
- Chairman McNutt moved to approve the July 22, 2022, agenda. The motion second by Commissioner Satz, roll was called Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Vianello-yes and Chairman McNutt – yes, and the agenda was approved.
- Following the approval of the agenda, Chairmen McNutt called for a moved to adopt, June 30, 2022, meeting minutes and Commissioner Rudawsky moved and Commissioner Vianello second the motion the previous roll call was used the minutes were adopted.
- The next meeting was scheduled for Friday August 17, 2022, at 10 AM via Zoom

NEW BUSINESS

- Black Tie Chauffer, LLC- Director Klein said the taxi commission embedded the application and recommend approving the application for a CCN. Chairman McNutt moved to approve the application and Commissioner Vianello second the motion. Roll was called: Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Vianello-yes and Chairman McNutt – yes, and the CCN application for Black Tie Chauffer, LLC was approved.
- Director Klein requested that the board approve him to sign the letter of engagement for the abbreviated audit with Stopp & VanHoy as it was done the previous year? The Director explained that it is half the cost and that it meets the requirements by the state. Chairman McNutt moved to approve Director Klein sign for the abbreviated audit, and it was second by Commissioner Rudawsky. Chairman McNutt moved to use the previous roll.
- Director Klein there are 183 on call taxis permitted and 83 Airport Taxis permitted, there was 533 permits purchase and there have been 207 used. Director Klein said that the industry is making a slow recovery. He feels that when school starts, he feels that it will pick up more then. Commissioner Rudawsky asked Director Klein the slow recovery that he spoke about is it because the numbers are up from last year or is it just his feeling? Director Klein said there was only 14 Airport and 35 on call cabs in service during the pandemic. Director Klein said one issue is that with the airport taxis everyone is a share holder where the drivers refer it to their spot. A

lot of the drivers are holding on to their spot and that prevents us from hiring new drivers. Commissioner Rudawsky asked if that were something that could be resolved through their organization? Legal answered changes are defiantly needed there. Mr. Billings said that they all need to meet with them and see if they could resolve the matter. Director Klein purposes that there be a Show Cause hearing with the owners. Legal said that we can use the abandonment clause for the missing shareholders. Director Klein said that we own the permit. Commissioner Satz said that at night is where there is a problem. Chairman McNutt said talk to the managers at the Airport taxi companies and see if you can work something out. The school trip drivers are not getting their cabs permitted and we will have our Agent going to the schools. Chairman McNutt said it was important that we get more taxis at the Airport because the commission generates money from there.

ADJOURNMENT

- With no need for an Executive session and no more on the agenda, Chairman McNutt moved to end the meeting at 10:19 AM and it was second by Commissioner Satz. The previous roll was used, and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes were interpreted from an audio recording of the meeting by Sandy Page

