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## **AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order/Introductions**
- II. Approval of Minutes of February 6, 2009 Meeting**
- III. Treasurers' Report and Approval of February Expenditure**
- IV. Focus Topic- Legislative Update**
- V. Finance Committee Report-Approval 2009 Budget**
- VI. Agency Reports**
  - A. TxDOT**
  - B. NTTA**
  - C. DCTA**
  - D. DART**
  - E. RTC**
- VII. Other Business- Partners in Mobility Reminder**
- VIII. Adjournment**

# **MEETING NOTES**

**Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition  
Executive Committee Minutes  
February 6, 2009**

**Executive Committee Members Attending:**

Chad Adams (Ellis County)  
Douglas Athas (Garland)  
Mike Baggett (Area Chambers)  
John Baumgartner (Allen)  
Mike Cantrell (Dallas County)  
Chris Florance (Rockwall County) (Commissioner David Magness)  
Rob Franke (Cedar Hill & Duncanville)  
John Harper (Rowlett)  
Mary Horn (Denton County)  
Joe Jaynes (Collin County) (Commissioner Kathy Ward)  
Pete Kamp (Denton)  
Ron Natinsky (Dallas)  
Jayne Peters (Coppell)  
Stan Pickett (Mesquite)  
Grady Smithey (Dallas County)

**Ex-Officio Members Attending:**

Charles Emery (DCTA)  
Lori Shelton (NTTA)  
Bill Hale (TxDot) (Bob Brown)  
Michael Morris (COG/RTC) (Dan Lamers)  
Koorosh Olyai (DART)  
Gary Thomas (DART)

**Staff:**

John Carpenter  
Christene Wheeler

## **OPENING**

Chairman Chad Adams called the meeting to order.

**MINUTES-** The first order of business was the approval of the minutes of the February 6, 2009 DRMC Executive Committee meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT-** John Harper presented monthly report for February and a moved for approval was made. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

## **AGENCY REPORTS**

### **-TxDOT**

Report given by Bob Brown.

- Reviewed handout highlights.
- Briefly touched on projects to be done with relief funds given to region.
- Have started contracting out maintenance in Dallas.

Grady Smithey asked about DFW connector in Dallas County.

Bob Brown replied that the Dallas District was removed.

Grady Smithey inquired about Dallas County losing any more funds to the project.

Bob Brown was to respond later.

Grady Smithey asked about the status of Loop 9.

Bob Brown Replied that the district is pushing for environmental clearance & find beginning funding.

Grady Smithey inquired if the counties had appointed segment committees.

Mike Cantrell responded that they have been appointed.

### **-NTTA**

Report given by Lori Shelton.

- Reviewed the handout.

Grady Smithey asked about Trinity Parkway.

Carrie Rogers stated that they are still committed to the project at this point.

### **-DCTA**

Report given by Charles Emery.

- John Hedrick has resigned.
- Scott Neely will take over in John Hedrick's place.
- Denton County, Collin County & Grayson County will be going to Austin for a Tri-County day.

## **-DART**

Report given by Gary Thomas.

- Reviewed highlights of handout.

## **-RTC**

Report given by Dan Lamers.

- RTC is hosting detail meeting on the corridor. See handout for dates and places.
- Noted public meetings that are coming up. See handout for dates and places.

## **REGIONAL RAIL UPDATE**

John Carpenter stated that there are many drafts of the bill that will be created until it is passed. The bill should be introduced by Senator Corona next week. There is a resolution in the packet for approval to show support for the bill.

Mike Bagget and the Dallas Regional Chamber went to Austin on Tuesday. Austin is very concerned about the budget issues. They are still looking at funding the DPS through Fund 6.

There was much discussion about “word smithing” the resolution that has been proposed. Suggestions were made to make the resolutions general to avoid making changes every time Austin makes a change.

Chad Adams proposed drafting a letter showing support instead of passing any resolution.

Grady Smithey moved to accept Judge Adam’s suggestion.

After further discussion, it was decided that Chad Adams would create a letter to send to RTC to show support for the Regional Rail bill.

## **PARTNERS IN MOBILITY UPDATE**

Amanda Wilson gave a brief update on registering for the Partners in Mobility. Please register through the North Texas Commission.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **-Communications Committee**

Report given by Jayne Peters.

- The renewal for Cooksey Communication’s contract for the next six months was presented for approval.
- After discussion, there was a motion for approval. It was passed unanimously.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Commissioner Mike Cantrell was honored for his service to the DRMC for the 2008.  
Judge Chad Adams presented Commissioner Cantrell with a plaque.

## **ADJOURNED**

Respectfully submitted,

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Grady Smithey  
Secretary, DRMC

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Date