



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Railroad Advisory Board

Thursday, November 9, 2023
8:00 AM

Regular

701 E Broadway
Conference Room 1C

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. John Wilke, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Staff: Dave Sorrell, Utilities Director; Sarah Talbert, Assistant Utilities Director; Shane Riley, Railroad Operations Manager; Terri Clark, Sr. Administrative Support Assistant

Consultant: Tina Worley, Marketing Consultant

Guest: Mike Murphy; CoMoBUZ

Present: 6 - Marty Paten, John Wilke, Marty Oetting, Blair Hendrickson, Scott Harness and Zach Sandner

Absent: 1 - Gregory Eiffert

II. INTRODUCTIONS

There was a round robin for introductions.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Blair Hendrickson made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted with a second by Mr. Scott Harness. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The August 10, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as submitted with a motion by Mr. Scott Harness and a second by Mr. Zach Sandner. Motion passed unanimously.

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes Draft 08 10 23](#)

V. FINANCIAL REPORTS as available

Ms. Talbert explained that Railroad operating expenses and revenue are down due to being beginning of fiscal year. Transload's figures reflect the same.

Attachments: [Railroad Utility Financial Statements](#)
[Transload Utility Financial Statements](#)

VI. TRAFFIC REPORTS

Traffic, as well as storage cars, are staying consistent since last meeting. The Transload Facility has been staying full and has started receiving and storing roll carts. The City of Columbia will start distributing the roll carts in Spring, 2024.

Attachments: [COLT Traffic Report FY 2023 - \(Sept. 2023\)](#)
[COLT YTD Comparisons - \(Sept. 2023\)](#)
[FY End Totals of COLT Traffic - \(Sept. 2023\)](#)

VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS

Mr. Wilke suggested new advertising for the COLT Railroad to bring more awareness to the community and public in general, about the COLT Railroad and Transload Facility.

Mr. John Wilke made a motion to create a committee to explore, design, and communicate to general public awareness of the COLT Railroad. The motion was passed by Mr. Marty Oetting, and seconded by Mr. Marty Paten.

VIII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

None.

IX. NEXT MEETING DATE

February 08, 2024

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m. with a motion by Mr. Marty Oetting and a second by Mr. Marty Patton. Motion passed unanimously.

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