

BSRA Business Meeting Minutes September 7, 2024

The September 7, 2024, Business Meeting was called to order at 7:31PM by President Bradley Clarke via Zoom Video Conference.

President's Remarks:

- Welcome to the September BSRA meeting. I want to offer our appreciation to Mike Prescott for hosting our Zoom presentation tonight.
- Richard Hooles will present our entertainment tonight: MAJOR LEAGUE TRANSIT, a cross-country tour that will visit all thirty current ballparks and the transit scene in each city, with bus and rail photos taken between 2005 and 2024.
- A Green Line Fan Trip will take place on Sunday, September 29, 2024 commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the MBTA.
- Tom Athearn read the Nominations letter for the candidates for office in Fiscal Year 2025. The following candidates were nominated:

For:

President	Bradley H. Clarke
Vice President and Clerk	Thomas Athearn
Treasurer	Charles Bahne Jr
Secretary	Thaddeus S. Anderson
Librarian	James E. Gately
Director of Car Restoration	David F. Harling
Publications Director	Michael R. Prescott
<i>RollSign</i> Director	Clark Frazier
Directors at Large	Jonathan Belcher Kenneth C. Zwirble

Treasurer's Report:

Charlie Bahne read the following report:

Boston Street Railway Association, Inc.
Summary Treasurer's Report, August 2024
(detailed report is available for download)
General Fund

Income	\$2,220.37
Expenses	\$1,347.91
Cash on hand 8/31/2024	\$17,897.96

5706 Fund

Income	\$2,365.96
Expenses	\$12,596.36
Cash on hand 8/31/2024	\$69,507.63

Combined cash on hand 8/31/2024 \$87,405.59

- Our summer fund appeal has received donations from 118 people, for a record total of \$15,409.12 to date.
- Membership renewal notices for 2025 will be mailed in early October.
- To reduce the burden on our volunteer staff, we'd like you to please wait until you receive your renewal notice in the mail, before you submit your renewal payment (either online or by mail).
- Since 1999, we've raised a total of \$531,948.95 for the 5706 Fund.

RollSign Director Report – Mike Prescott read the following report:

- Work on the May/June 2024 issue is wrapping up; it will be followed by the July/August issue.

Publication Director Report – No report.

5706 Report – Photos of the progress on 5706 were shown.

After a motion and second were made to approve the August 2024 Secretary and Treasurer's reports, a vote was taken, and the reports were approved.

Applicants for Intermediate and Regular membership – Tadd Anderson read the following names of the new regular and intermediate members to be voted on:

PAUL F. FLANAGAN, HINGHAM, MA Rejoining as a Regular Member

PAUL D. KAITZ, HOLLISTON, MA Rejoining as a Regular Member

SAMUEL STAITI, ARLINGTON, MA Rejoining as a Regular Member

TIMOTHY J. MURPHY, ROSLINDALE, MA Rejoining as a Regular Member

STERLING TURKINGTON, MELROSE, MA New Intermediate Member

CHUCK HAGENBUCH, DORCHESTER, MA New Regular Member

After a motion and second for the secretary to cast a token ballot for the new regular and intermediate members, a vote was taken, and they were voted in as new members.

Old/New Business – None

Current Events – Jonathan Belcher read the following report:

Orange Line: CRRC fleet: 114 active cars in service, 1516/1517, 1520/1521, 1522/1523, and 1526/1527 are in testing. 28 remain to be delivered. There will be two separate Orange Line shutdowns for track work in October: Back Bay to Forest Hills and Oak Grove to North Station.

Green Line: Type 7 # 3615 is being converted to Maintenance of Way work car, all seats have been removed.

Red Line: Total CRRC fleet consists of 18 (1900-1917) accepted out of 252 ordered. 1918/1919, 1928/1929, and 1930/1831 have been delivered and are in testing with 228 remaining to be delivered. A program is underway to retrofit LED headlights on the #3 01800s. Next Red Line shut down will be underway during September 6 to September 29 is between JFK/U Mass to Braintree. Bus shuttle will be operating from Braintree to Ashmont.

Commuter Rail: Locomotive rebuilding is as follows: 26 units completed, 11 are at Erie. 83 of the 83 new Rotems on order have been delivered, 68 accepted for service, 15 in testing. Rebuilt GP40MC 1129, painted in heritage cranberry scheme has returned to service on Cape Flyer.

Bus: Fifteen 1400 series busses of 60 total are now at Midwest Bus for overhaul. 21 busses have returned.

Entertainment – Lucius Chiaraviglio summarized the upcoming entertainment to December 2024.

Officers and Staff Present: Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs present included Bradley Clarke, Tom Athearn, Charlie Bahne, Tadd Anderson, Jonathan Belcher, Jim Gately, Ken Zwirble, Mike Prescott and Lucius Chiaraviglio.

Adjournment - A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Business Meeting and a vote was taken and it passed. The Business Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tadd Anderson
Secretary, Boston Street Railway Association
9/22/2024