

## BSRA Business Meeting Minutes January 10, 2026

The January 10, 2026, Business Meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by President Bradley Clarke via Zoom Video Conference.

### President's Remarks:

- Welcome to the January BSRA meeting. We appreciate Mike Prescott hosting tonight's Zoom presentation.
- Tonight's entertainment is by Andrew Elder and Jeremy Fox, who return for an encore presentation of their Orange Line show from September 6, 2014. Since that show was in person only, this will give the current Zoom-only attendees a chance to see the show that was not available to them at the time.

### Treasurer's Report:

Charlie Bahne read the following report:  
Boston Street Railway Association, Inc.  
Summary Treasurer's Report, December 2025  
(detailed report is available for download)  
*General Fund*

Income .....	\$4,551.83
Expenses .....	\$6,648.62
Cash on hand 12/31/2025 .....	\$19,064.90
<i>5706 Fund</i>	
Income .....	\$4,157.73
Expenses .....	\$564.22
Cash on hand 12/31/2025 .....	\$32,662.02
Combined cash on hand 12/31/2025 .....	\$51,726.92

- As of December 31, over 70% of our members have renewed; plus 29 members and friends have given \$4,355 to our annual fund appeal, with renewals and donations still coming in. Thank you very much!
- You may renew either online or by mail. Please renew promptly, so we won't have to send reminder notices.
- General Fund expenses this month included printing and mailing two issues of RollSign, plus fundraising costs, warehouse rental, and annual fees for our P. O. Boxes.
- Since 1999, we've raised a total of \$583,251.84 for the 5706 Fund.

### RollSign Director Report – Brad Clarke read the following report:

- Work is underway on the July-August and September-October *RollSign* issues. We have gathered most of the text and are in the process of editing photographs. We hope to produce both issues before the next meeting.
- As always, we welcome your news photos, articles, and both current and historical pieces.

### Publication Director Report:

- Your Publications Director, assisted by Brad Clarke, Marlowe Fairhurst, and Bill Pollman have continued on their clearance of recyclable material from our Walton warehouse. We had a very productive session on December 14, and we are planning several more. Once this project is complete, the Association will enjoy a reduction in warehouse rental fees.

- We are also preparing for the annual Amherst Railway Society show on the weekend of January 24th and 25th. This show was held at the Big E in West Springfield and attracts thousands of rail fans of all stripes, including many transit enthusiasts. This is the biggest show of its kind in the country and is well worth attending. We will have three tables in the main building, the Better Living Center, and we urge you to attend and look forward to seeing you there.

**5706 Report:** - Brad Clarke read the following report:

Work is nearly complete on the Westinghouse DH 16 compressor, and continues on the brake cylinder and line switch.

- Our Holiday Fund Drive was launched in mid December, and so far has brought in \$5,175.

- Thank you you all for your continued support as we move toward the completion of this important project. Currently, we have **\$32,262** in the 5706 Fund, and we hope to see your generous donations continue.

- We have raised **\$583,252** for 5706 as of **December 31, 2025**.

**Applicants for Intermediate and Regular membership** – There was applicant for new Regular one upgrade from subscriber:

LAWRENCE R. VELTE, FAIRFAX, VA *Regular Member, upgrading from Associate*

DANA BOWERS, GUILFORD, CT *Rejoining as a Regular Member*

A motion to approve the Secretary and Treasurer's Reports for November was seconded, and a vote to approve both reports was passed.

**Old/New Business** – None

**Current Events** – Jonathan Belcher read the following report:

**Orange Line:** CRRC fleet: 144 active cars in service, 1546/1547 are in burn-in testing, 1548/1549 are in static testing, and 1550/1551 were delivered, deliveries are now complete with all 152 on the property. 1444/1445 damaged 11/05/25 in a yard derailment at Wellington, repair work initiated. Six car train of 1524/1525, 1528/1529, 1530/1531 operated with LED Holiday lights and decorations.

**Red Line:** Total accepted CRRC fleet is 52 (1900-1951) out of 252 ordered. Eight unaccepted cars, 1952/1953, 1954/1955, 1956/1957, and 1958/1959 delivered and in testing (60 cars total). 192 cars remain to be delivered. 14 01500s and 4 01600s remain in service.

**Green Line:** Service was suspended between North Station and Heath St. and Babcock Street from December 8-22 to

remove wooden wire troughs in the Tremont St, subway. Non-rebuilt PCCs 3263 and 3268 completed repairs and returned to service. They join rebuilt cars 3234, 3238, 3260, and 3265. PCC 3087 presently held for repairs. Fifth rebuilt car, 3254, is being worked on at Everett Shops and should return by spring. The MBTA has publicly stated that the rebuild program will be considered complete after five cars although they purchased enough kits from Brookville to rebuild eight. Type 8 3894 returned to service in December, Kinki-Sharyo completed collision repair work in August and Riverside carhouse completed the final preparation work on the car. Two Type 9s (3908 and 3917) were operated with LED Holiday lights and decorations.

**Commuter Rail:** Locomotive rebuilding: 34 units completed, 1036, 1071, and 1072 are in testing and will also be heritage paint units, Locomotives 010 and 011 remain at Erie. Rolling Stock Solutions rebuilt F40 #1002 was added to a revenue set on 01/07/26. MBTA has awarded \$222 million contract to Wabtec to rebuild all 40 HSP 46 locomotives (2000-2039). First unit will not be sent out until late 2026, to return in late 2028 through 2032.

**Bus:** Bus 1414 is last overhauled 1400 waiting to enter service -Fourteen 2016-2017 New Flyer hybrid buses (series 1775-1924 and 3000-3005) are at Midwest Bus for overhaul, five are completed to date. Buses 1878, 1912, and 3000 returned since last update while 1826, 1827, 3001 sent out. -Battery buses 4300-4304 have begun revenue service testing on Routes 71 and 73, operating out of Charlestown Garage (Bennett District). 4200s will also be cycled into service as well. North Cambridge will probably not be ready until summer. Charlestown only has a few chargers, so full operation must wait until North Cambridge is open. -MBTA picked up option with New Flyer to increase the battery bus order by 40. There are now 120 on order, 32 4200-4231 buses with left side doors for North Cambridge and 88 4300s to fully equip the new Quincy Garage that will open in 2027.

**Entertainment** – Lucius Chiaviglio listed the upcoming entertainment through March 2026.

**Officers and Staff Present:** Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs present included Bradley Clarke, Tom Athearn, Charlie Bahne, Tadd Anderson, Jonathan Belcher, Ken Zwirble, Clark Frazier, James Gately 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 7:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tadd Anderson  
Secretary, Boston Street Railway Association  
1/31/2026