

BSRA Business Meeting Minutes April 4, 2026

The April 4, 2026, Business Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Bradley Clarke via Zoom Video Conference.

President's Remarks:

- Welcome to the April BSRA meeting. We thank Clark Frazier hosting tonight's Zoom Meeting.
- Donald Nevin is providing tonight's entertainment, which features the moving of car 475, a vintage bus fantrip, and his experience as an employee of the Metropolitan Transit Authority heating plant of the Lotus Place bus garage.

Treasurer's Report:

Boston Street Railway Association, Inc.
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Summary Treasurer's Report, March 2026
(detailed report is available for download)

General Fund

Income	\$1,239.30
Expenses	\$1,742.66
Cash on hand 3/31/2026	\$15,826.82

5706 Fund

Income	\$710.06
Expenses	\$7.46
Cash on hand 3/31/2026	\$14,148.86
Combined cash on hand 3/31/2026	\$29,975.68

- Once again, some of the General Fund expenses paid this month were for costs related to our attendance at the Amherst Railway Society's hobby show in West Springfield, in January.
- We received a number of renewals this month, but there are still many members who haven't yet renewed for 2026 — including some frequent attendees at these monthly Zoom meetings. If you have questions about renewal, email us at info@thebsra.org.
- We expect to mail a spring fund appeal letter, sometime during April.
- Since 1999, we've raised a total of \$587,116.71 for the 5706 Fund.

RollSign Director Report – Brad Clarke read the following report:

- We have completed the content work for the July – August, September – October, in November – December additions overall sign, and have become begun assembly work. We apologies for the delay in production, but it is a consequence of volunteers handling higher priority work. We will be adding one new staff member in the near future, and this should help us stay up-to-date.

Publication Director Report: - Lucius Chiaraviglio read the following:

- Nothing new to report on publications, except that we are planning an additional warehouse session to clear out the remaining items at the Wollaston location very soon.

5706 Report: Brad Clarke read the following report:

- Donations to the General Fund and the 5705 Fund have fallen off,, so we will be issuing a new fundraiser soon to boost our finances.
- Thank you you all for your continued support as we move toward the completion of the 5706 project.
- The 5706 Fund balance is \$14,149.
- We have raised **\$587,117** for 5706 as of **March 31, 2025**.

- **Applicants for Intermediate and Regular membership** – There were no applicants for Regular and Intermediate Membership.

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: 150 active cars in service, 1402/1403-1550/1551 are in service, 1548/1549 and 1550/1551 have been accepted, 1400/1401 remain out of service since 2021 because of derailment damage to 1401.

Red Line: Total accepted CRRC fleet is 60 (1900-1959) out of 252 ordered, 1956/1957 and 1958/1959 accepted since the last meeting. 1960/1961 and 1962/1963 delivered since last meeting, 64 cars total delivered. Two more pairs anticipated in April, these were the last shells delivered before U.S. Government halted shell deliveries last year. There will be a pause of several months for deliveries to resume. U.S. Customs has allowed shell deliveries to resume, but it will take time to get the production line back up to full speed. 14 01500s and 4 01600s remain in service. Cars 01740/01741 were repaired and returned to service in March. These were two of the six cars damaged in November 2025 when a train hit the bumper at Alewife yard. 01736/37 and 01748/49 are still awaiting repairs.

Green Line: -Delivery of pilot Type 10 #4001 was anticipated for April but will probably be delayed because modifications required at Riverside Carhouse have not been completed yet. The B Branch will be replaced with busses from April 22 to May 1 for construction.

Commuter Rail: Locomotives 010 and 011 remain at Erie, there are reports that they will be traded to Metra for two rebuilt F40 locomotives, but there has been no official announcement from the MBTA. Rolling Stock Solutions: 1003 and 1005 arrived in Boston to begin testing, but have been placed in temporary storage in Framingham. First HSP46 locomotives (2004, 2009, and 2030) were to Wabtec in Erie to commence overhaul program. Locomotive 2010 was sent to Rochester MA repair facilities for work and has since returned to service.

Bus: Bus 1414 is last overhauled 1400 waiting to enter service, requires extensive rear frame repairs but should be completed this year. Fifteen 2016-2017 New Flyer hybrid busses (series 1775-1924 and 3000-3005) are at Midwest Bus for overhaul, 18 are completed to date. Busses 1778, 1808, 1818, 1826, 3001, 3005 returned since last update while 1782, 1804, 1814, 1857, and 1887 were sent out. Bus service changes effective April 5: Routes 85 and CT2 are being combined and extended to Assembly Row to operate as 85 Assembly Row-Ruggles, this will be a Cabot/Albany route. Off-peak combined Route 40/50 will be discontinued and replaced by expanded service on regular Routes 40 and 50. Route 226 Braintree-South Weymouth will start new Sunday service. Route 34E will be extended to Walpole Center on Sundays.

Route 87 will be extended to Arlington Center nights and Sundays.

Contracted Routes 714 and 716 are having service expanded as a 1-year pilot, including new Sunday service on Route 716 (Mattapan-Canton).

Entertainment – Lucius Chiaraviglio listed the upcoming entertainment through October 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tadd Anderson

Secretary, Boston Street Railway Association

4/26/2026