

**San Benito County
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
MEETING**

September 18, 2008 2:30 P.M.

FINAL MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Vice-Chair Botelho, Director Emerson, and Director Marcus

STAFF PRESENT:

Deputy County Counsel, Shirley Murphy; Executive Director, Lisa Rheinheimer; Transportation Planning Manager, Mary Dinkuhn; Administrative Services Specialist, Kathy Postigo; Veronica Lezama, Secretary, Monica Gomez

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tony Mercado, MV Transportation

A. Certificate of Posting

Upon a motion duly made by Director Marcus, and seconded by Director Emerson, the Directors unanimously acknowledged the Certificate of Posting.

B. Public Comment:

**Joe Thompson
Tres Pinos, CA**

Mr. Thompson asked why the Board is trying to impose an urban mass transit plan on a rural county like ours. Mr. Thompson commented on the Board's "bad policy", and the partnership with the Valley Transportation Authority.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approve LTA Transactions Report (Financial Claims) dated August 2008 – Postigo**
- 2. Approve LTA Meeting Minutes dated August 21, 2008 – Gomez**
- 3. Approve County Express Monthly Management Report for the Month August 2008 – Dinkuhn**
- 4. Approve Jovenes de Antaño Monthly Management Reports for the Months of July 2008 and August 2008 – Dinkuhn**

Vice-Chair Botelho pulled Item 3 at the request of the public.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Marcus, and seconded by Director Emerson, the Directors unanimously approved Items 1, 2, and 4 from the Consent Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

**Joe Thompson
Tres Pinos, CA**

Mr. Thompson commented on Item 3. Mr. Thompson asked the Board demand a policy change for the residents of San Benito County.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Emerson, and seconded by Director Marcus, the Directors unanimously approved Item 3 from the Consent Agenda

REGULAR AGENDA

- 5. APPROVE** Use of Local Transportation Authority Vehicles No. 43 & 44 for Services Provided Under Contract by Jovenes de Antaño – Dinkuhn

Transportation Planning Manager, Mary Dinkuhn stated that the Local Transportation Authority contracts with Jovenes de Antaño to provide specialized transportation services. Staff identified two-little used vehicles in the LTA fleet that could be used by Jovenes de Antaño to replace aging vehicles in its fleet.

LTA staff identified two 16-passenger vans in its existing fleet that would be suitable for use by Jovenes de Antaño. The vans are less suited to County Express operations due to the greater number of stops made and passengers transported by County Express.

Staff recommended that the Board approve the use of LTA vehicles No. 43 and 44 for services provided under contract by Jovenes de Antaño.

Upon a motion made by Director Emerson, and seconded by Director Marcus the Director's unanimously approved Item 5.

- 6. RECEIVE** Fiscal Year 2007/2008 Budget Report – Postigo

Upon a motion duly made by Director Marcus, and seconded by Director Emerson, the Directors unanimously voted to continue Item 6 to the October LTA agenda.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Marcus, and seconded by Director Emerson, the Director's unanimously voted to adjourn the LTA meeting.

ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2008. AGENDA DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 1, 2008 AT 12:00 P.M.