

**TRUCKEE-NORTH TAHOE TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Town of Truckee Offices, 10183 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, CA 96161**  
**And via Zoom**  
**April 2, 2026**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Pat Fraser called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM. A quorum was established.

**Board members present**

Patrick Fraser, Palisades Tahoe/Highway 89  
Alfred Knotts, Town of Truckee  
Rebecca Cremeen, Rotating RTPA Seat  
Gordon Shaw, Tahoe Basin At Large  
Danielle Hughes, Kings Beach/Tahoe Vista  
Jared Deck, Placer County  
Joy Doyle, Resort Triangle At Large  
Andy Chapman, Travel North Tahoe Nevada  
Linda Meckel, Resort Triangle At Large (appointed today)  
Ryan Smith, Northstar California/Hwy 267 (appointed today)  
Zoe Najim, Tahoe City/West Short  
Eric DesLauriers, Homewood/Westshore Seat

**Board members absent**

Alexis Hill, Washoe County  
Jenna Prescott, Donner Summit  
Larry Finney, Truckee Tahoe Airport District

Others participating included Executive Director Sara Van Sicen, Program Manager Caroline Craffey, Ian Martin, Consultant Steve Teshara, Jaime Wright, Tara Styer, Cory Peterson, Adam Wilson, Nick Martin, Jeremy Linder, Leslie, Denise Davis, Scott Miklos, and Taylor Fiddymont. There may have been others who did not identify themselves.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Adam Wilson announced next Tuesday's Breakfast Club will focus on summer road construction.

Hughes said Tahoe Spark has submitted a letter about NV Energy's announcement that they will not be serving Liberty Utilities. She is working with legislators and other agencies to address the issue.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Approval of the April 2, 2026 Agenda**

**It was moved by Hughes and seconded by Shaw to approve today's agenda as amended, adding an action item to ratify the appointment of Ryan Smith to the Northstar/Hwy 267 Board seat. Motion carried unanimously.**

**2. Approval of the March 5, 2026 Minutes**

**It was moved by Deck and seconded by Cremeen to approve the February 6, 2025 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**3. Approval of the February 2026 Bills**

**It was moved by Shaw and seconded by Knotts to approve payment of the February 2026 bills as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.**

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. Ratification of the Appointment of Linda Meckel to the Open TNT/TMA Resort Triangle at Large Board Seat**

**It was moved by Doyle and seconded by Hughes to ratify the appointment of Linda Meckel to the Resort Triangle At-Large TNT TMA Board seat. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **AGENDA ADDITION: Ratification of the Appointment of Ryan Smith to the TNT TMA Northstar California/Hwy 267 Board Seat**

**It was moved by Shaw and seconded by Chapman to ratify the appointment of Ryan Smith to the Northstar California/Hwy 287 TNT TMA Board seat. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **2. Review and Possible Approval of the Proposed TNT/TMA FY 2026/2027 Budget**

Van Siclen presented the financial reports as of March 9, 2026 and year-end projections. She reviewed the proposed FY 2026/27 Administration and program budgets and described the assumptions made as they were being compiled. Discussion followed as details were clarified and revisions were considered for the North Lake Tahoe Express and Vanpool budgets.

**It was moved by Knotts and seconded by Shaw to approve the TNT TMA FY 2026/27 budgets subject to revisions including bringing the total number of van pools to twenty. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **3. Review and Possible Approval of the FY 2026-2027 TART Marketing Plan**

Craffey presented the TART Marketing Plan for the next fiscal year, noting goals and changes from the previous Plan. The Board suggested strategies to attain the goals of increased awareness and ridership.

**It was moved by Najim and seconded by Knotts to approve the FY 2026/27 TART Marketing Plan as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **4. Review and Possible Approval of the 2026-2029 NLTE Agreement with My Ride to Work for Contracted Operations**

Van Siclen said the existing three-year contract with My Ride to Work expires in June. She proposed a new agreement. The fuel rates are based on gas at \$4.30 per gallon, but if the average monthly fuel costs exceed that, a surcharge may apply.

**It was moved by Chapman and seconded by Shaw to approve the 2026 – 2029 NLTE Agreement with My Ride to Work as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **5. Review and Possible Approval of the Tahoe City Event Park and Ride Agreement with Palisades Tahoe**

Van Siclen submitted some edits for Counsel's review to the agreement with Palisades Tahoe for operation of the Tahoe City Event Park & Ride, which are mostly related to the Limitation of Liability.

**It was moved by Smith and seconded by Deck to approve the Tahoe City Event Park & Ride Agreement with Palisades Tahoe subject to final approval by TNT TMA Counsel. A provision will be added requiring drivers to collect ridership and service information. Motion carried with Fraser abstaining.**

## **Presentation**

### **1. Town of Truckee Project Updates --Town of Truckee DPW Staff**

Knotts presented the status of Truckee's capital projects, including the Railyard Mobility Hub, Reimagine Bridge Street, the Riverview Sports Park Connection, and Phase 4B of the Legacy Trail, which is the last section and connects West River Street to the Mousehole. An RFP is being released later this spring to update the Active Transportation Plan, which guides the Capital Improvement Project plan related to trails and bikeways.

Taylor described Where's My Bus that provides real time transit information to riders. It coordinates with the Transit app, Google Maps, and Apple Maps. She showed the Transit app and how it can be used. Currently it only provides Truckee fixed route service information. An on-board app gives drivers information on how closely they are adhering to schedules and passenger counts.

Transit app also shows Placer County routes, but it is not yet live with real time information. The goal is to provide information on all services available in Truckee and eastern Placer County.

## **REPORTS**

### **1. North Lake Tahoe Express Update - Caroline Craffey, TNT/TMA Program Manager**

Craffey presented ridership reports, saying passenger counts remain down year-over-year. The early morning shuttle stats are on the report for February and March. There is interest, but ridership is consistent with other routes.

### **2. Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) Board Representative Update**

#### **- Andy Chapman, TNT/TMA Board of Directors**

Chapman reported the TTD Board, acting as the Tahoe Transportation Commission, conducted a public hearing for the TRPA Work Program. The Commission recommended Governing Board approval. The TTD Board approved a contract with Wood Rodgers for design of the north parking lot on the east shore trail, which will include water quality improvements. The Board considered disposition of the former Incline Elementary School property. Ownership will either be transferred to a qualified Washoe County agency or sold on the open market.

### **3. TOT Advisory Committee - Pat Fraser, TNT/TMA Board of Directors**

Fraser reported the Committee discussed how to determine the effectiveness of high-impact programs and projects. Wilson added there are some programs, such as TART Connect, that expire at the end of this fiscal year. A temporary agreement will be drafted as permanent funding options are considered.

### **4. Tahoe Truckee Area Regional Transit (TART)**

#### **- Jaime Wright, Placer County DPW**

Wright reported overall ridership is down 10% year-over year as of March 31. TART Connect is seeing even lower ridership, but that could be related to fewer employees in the area given the light winter. The Swiftly app should be live in 30-60 days and will provide real time information.

#### **- Danielle McHugh, Town of Truckee**

McHugh said fixed route counts are down 20% year-over-year as of February 28. Dial-a-Ride and TART Connect continue to see higher ridership.

### **5. Mountaineer Transit Company - Joy Doyle, Executive Director**

Doyle reported the month of February was down 7% and 14% year-over-year. Operations are being scaled back to control costs.

### **6. North Tahoe Workforce Vanpool - Caroline Craffey, TNT/TMA Program Manager**

Van Sclen said fifteen vanpools are in operation serving eighty-eight employees. Her written report outlines outreach efforts.

### **7. Planning & Consulting- Steve Teshara, TMA Management & Planning Consultant**

Teshara attended the CAL COG Regional Leadership Forum in Long Beach. The main themes were use of AI, tracking green house gas emissions, and VMT related senate bills.

Teshara was in Washington DC with Chapman and ten other Team Tahoe members who met with legislators. There were good meetings regarding Tahoe issues. After that visit, TTD was notified that the grant for Highway

28 improvements was reinstated. Because of redistricting, Ami Bera is running for Senate in this district. In Nevada, Mark Amodei is retiring and there is a large field of candidates to take his place.

This year's Tahoe Summit will be hosted by Nevada Senator Jacky Rosen.

#### **8. Advocacy Opportunities and Review -Sara Van Siclen, TNT/TMA Executive Director**

No items were brought forward.

#### **AREA REPORTS**

##### **1. Member Reports**

Chapman announced the April 10 TRPA meeting to consider items to be brought forward during the upcoming Nevada Legislature session. There will also be presentations regarding DMOs and tourism efforts related to stewardship.

Hughes said the owner of Tree House Café in Kings Beach noticed drainage issues. She asked if TNT TMA could facilitate a discussion between Placer County DPW and Caltrans.

Knotts reported the Town is releasing an RFP to identify a contractor who can provide all transit services for the next five years.

##### **2. Executive Director's Report**

Van Siclen's report was in today's meeting packet. This is her last meeting before a four-month maternity leave.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM. The next TNT TMA Board meeting will be held on May 7, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Friedman

Recording Secretary

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