

**PRIVATE FOR-HIRE TRANSPORTATION BOARD OF REVIEW
MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 13, 2009**

A. Call to Order: 1:35 p.m. by Sue Klobertanz

B. Roll Call / Sign-In

1. Roll Call:

Abma (P) Bauhs (P) Corona (P) Rauhen (P) Blosser (P)
Miller (P) Ochoza (A) Putnam (A) Huddleston (P) Dufay (P) Klobertanz (P)

- 2. Others / Audience:** The list of other attendees is available from the Revenue Bureau. Kathleen Butler was introduced as the new Regulatory Division Manager. She will begin serving as the chair of the PFHT Board of Review June 13, 2009.

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve previous minutes as amended: Dawn

Seconded: Gail

Minutes were unanimously approved.

D. Approval of Previous Minutes

Next month we will submit a written record of the appeal of Around the Town Car Service

Motion to approve previous minutes as amended: Gail

Seconded: Doug

Minutes were unanimously approved.

E. Supervisor's Report: Frank Dufay

1. Enforcement Report: Sochi Transfer paid an outstanding fine. Around the Town Car Service company permit and vehicle permits have been revoked. Around the Town made and appeal to the Board and the City's decision to revoke was upheld. We have been in contact with Taxi companies from outlying area coming into Portland and picking up passengers on the weekends. This is an issue we will continue to work on. We were able to retrieve a camera from a former Green Cab driver. Frank has been in regular communication with the Port to address issues involving on demand shuttle service at PDX. It is felt that there are currently too many on demand shuttles serving the airport. The Port and City are also working together to get the City and Ports permits in line with each other. Dawn suggested adding something in the Supervisor's Newsletter that lists permits issued. We continue to be in communication with the hotels to work together in addressing the issue of town cars operating as on demand at hotels. Frank reminded everyone that buses and MAX are going to be back on the Mall soon. He emphasized the need to drive safety and familiarize yourselves with the rules.
2. Meeting with Pedicab and BTA: We met with the Pedicab industry and representatives with the Bicycle Transportation Alliance. The meeting went well and we are confident that we will be able to work with them moving forward to refine the Pedicab regulations.

3. Code Rewrite: Sue thanked everyone in their participation. We understand that there are a lot of outstanding issues to address. However, in her experience it's not unusual to bring a code revision to Council and then come back 6 months later with things that were missing the first time around. We will continue to work with stakeholders to further refine the code. Standards for training and inspections still need to be defined. Kathleen discussed scheduled workshops to discuss these standards with stakeholders.

F. Standing Committee Reports

1. Company Standing Committee: No meeting
2. Driver Standing Committee: No meeting

G. Old Business

1. Rate signs on hotels: They have been made however we need to wait until the construction moratorium is over until they can be installed. One idea brought up by Transportation Options in PBOT is spreading the word on what our permits look like. Then the public would know what to look for to identify a permitted vehicle.

H. New Business

1. None

I. Announcements

1. Steve Entler brought up a contradiction in the new code that needs to be addressed. 16.40.460 B1 requires a minimum of \$50 fare between downtown and the airport and 16.40.480 B says that if you have a contract you are exempt. Shane agrees that it needs to be changed in the next code revision.
2. PACA Schedule: Radio Cab
3. Butch suggested looking at zone rates for Executive Sedans. This would help address short runs that could be done
4. What is definition of Limousine in the proposed code? Sue read the definition out of code. An audience member said they would like more clarification in administrative rules.
5. Raye asked if executive sedan permits have been issued in excess of the cap. There have been rumors that as many as 90 additional permits have been issued. Frank said that is not the case. There were about 35 permits given to shuttles and Executive Sedan permits. This is within the moratorium. There has been a handful of Shuttle permits issued on a reservation only basis. It was mentioned current code allows a Taxi Company to approach the Board to request new permits. Under the proposed code that does not change. There have been a couple cab companies who have recently submitted letters to the Revenue Bureau requesting additional permits. Those letters will be reviewed and the Revenue Bureau will respond after the code rewrite is done.
6. Steve thanked Sue for her work on the code rewrite efforts.

J. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: Ramon

Seconded: Butch

Unanimously approved

Next meeting will be June 10, 2009. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:10pm

Minutes submitted by:

Patrick Kramer, Regulatory Program Specialist