

## MINUTES – MARCH 26, 2026

Meeting of the St. John’s Transportation Commission  
Thursday, March 26, 2026 12:00 PM  
In-Person at 25 Messenger Drive and via Zoom

### REGULAR

#### In attendance:

James Greey	Chair
Paul Canning	Commissioner
Derrick Hutchens	Commissioner
Josh Smee	Commissioner
Franklin Onwa	Commissioner
Ron Ellsworth	Commissioner/Deputy Mayor
Kate Cadigan	Commissioner/City Councillor
Derek Coffey	City Manager
Judy Powell	General Manager
Donna Power	Administrative Assistant

#### I. PROCEDURAL

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM.

#### II. AGENDA

**MOTION:** To approve the agenda as presented. Moved by Commissioner Smee; seconded by Commissioner Cadigan. Motion carried.

#### III. MINUTES

**MOTION:** To approve the minutes of the February 26, 2026 regular meeting as presented. Moved by Commissioner Cadigan; seconded by Commissioner Canning. Motion carried.

#### IV. BUSINESS ARISING

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

##### 1. Accessibility Plan Review – Presentation

Donna Power, Chair of the Metrobus Accessibility Committee, presents a summary of the work done in year two of the 2024 – 2026 Accessibility Plan. Highlights include:

- New wheelchair accessible routes added
- Improved GoBus reliability through enhanced no-show policy, additional fleet, and an enhanced focus on customer service and feedback
- Additional bus shelters installed/upgraded
- Equity statement added to recruitment material
- New buses purchased were all wheelchair accessible (8 hybrids, 3 cutaways, 1 community bus)

Some of the work planned for 2026 will focus on developing an accessible bus stop standard, a diversity and equity policy, completing installation of the stop announcements system and BlindSquare wayfinding app, reviewing the My GoBus app, and installing additional shelters.

As this is the final year of the 3-year plan, work will begin to draft a new plan by year-end.

## **2. Reports**

Monthly reports were presented for the Commission's consideration.

### **i. General Manager's Report**

The Commission expressed thanks to staff who support the work of Signal Service Dogs, and other community initiatives.

### **ii. Executive Summary Report**

The Commission commended staff on maintaining good on-time performance despite all the snowfall this winter. Route 12 was noted as being lower, which is attributable to time required to service the Mews Centre. Staff continue to monitor this service and will review after 12 months of data has been gathered.

### **iii. Financial Statements for February 2026**

With the current volatility of fuel prices, the budget will be impacted in the coming months. Diesel has increased more than \$0.50/L in the last couple of weeks alone.

Ridership this month was impacted by three full-day closures and one delayed opening, due to weather/road conditions; however, average ridership per day is trending close to budget.

## **VI. OTHER**

The next meeting of the St. John's Transportation Commission will take place on April 30, 2026, at noon.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Business concluded at approximately 12:25 PM.

**MOTION:** To adjourn the March 26, 2026, regular business meeting of the St. John's Transportation Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Smee. Meeting adjourned.