1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1. Roll Call.

1-2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Downey called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and roll call was taken. The pledge of allegiance followed. Chair Downey welcomed Debbie Hale of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) and congratulated her for being selected as the transportation “Professional Manager of the Year” by the American Public Works Association. Chair Downey also thanked MST Vice Chairperson, Tony Barrera, for filling in for her as Chairperson at the April board meeting.

1-3. Review Highlights of the agenda.

Mr. Sedoryk reviewed the highlights of the agenda.

Present:  Fernando Armenta  County of Monterey
          Tony Barrera  City of Salinas
          Robert Bonincontri  City of Gonzales
          Kristin Clark  City of Del Rey Oaks
          Libby Downey  City of Monterey
          Mike LeBarre  City of King
          Dan Miller  City of Pacific Grove
          Frank O’Connell  City of Marina
          David Pacheco  City of Seaside
          David Pendergrass  City of Sand City
          Patricia Stephens  City of Soledad
          Carrie Theis (alt)  City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Absent:  Leah Santibañez  City of Greenfield

Staff:  Carl Sedoryk  General Manager/CEO
        Hunter Harvath  Asst. GM/Finance & Administration
        Michael Hernandez  Asst. GM/COO
        Kelly Halcon  Director of HR & Risk Management
        Lisa Rheinheimer  Director of Planning and Development
        Andrea Williams  General Accounting & Budget Manager
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No Public Comment

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3-1. Adopt Resolution 2016-25 recognizing Eddy Gonzales, Entry Level Mechanic, as Employee of the Month for May 2016.

3-2. Minutes of the regular meeting of April 11, 2016.

3-3. Minutes of the HR Committee April 11, 2016.


3-5. Disposal of property left aboard buses.

3-6. Approve Resolution 2016-26 authorizing the execution of a Master Agreement and Program Supplements for State-Funded Transit Projects.

3-7. Approve Resolution 2016-27 authorizing the filing of a grant application with the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services.

3-8. Authorize the General Manager/CEO to execute a contract with Trapeze Group for Real-Time Bus Information Hosting for up to one year.

Public Comment – none.

Director Armenta made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Director LeBarre. The motion passed unanimously.
4. RECOGNITION AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

4-1. May Employee of the Month – Eddy Gonzales.

Michael Hernandez, Asst. General Manager/COO, recognized Eddy Gonzales as the May Employee of the Month for his exceptional service to MST and to the entire community. Mr. Hernandez stated that rarely does an employee who has worked for MST less than one year receive this recognition. Mr. Gonzales displayed exemplary performance during a fuel contamination crisis during his first year with MST and was highly recommended by his peers to receive the award.

4-2. Michael Cargile - 25 years of Service.

Robert Weber, Director of Transportation Services, recognized Michael Cargile for his 25 years of service with MST and for his upcoming promotion to Transportation Operations Supervisor.

5. CLOSED SESSION

Chairperson Downey requested the board's concurrence to hold Closed Session on Agenda item 10-1 immediately after Agenda Item 5-1 in the interest of time.

Public Comment – none.

5-1. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, Gov. Code § 54956.8. (King City East Ranch Business Park Vacant Lot, King City, CA. Parcel # APN 026-521-031). Agency negotiator(s) Carl Sedoryk, Hunter Harvath, MST. Negotiating party Steven Adams, City of King, seller. Purchase Price: $470,500. (No enclosure)

6. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

6-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

MST General Counsel, Dave Laredo, reported that MST staff provided a report and answered questions related to the status of negotiations for the sale/purchase of APN 026-521-031 and APN 032-171-005. No action was taken with respect to either referenced property.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7-1. Conduct public hearing for proposed new service and approve the filing of the appropriate grant application with Caltrans.

Grants Analyst, Michelle Overmeyer, provided a summary of the staff request to approve the filing of a grant application with Caltrans for $678,275 in 5311 (f) assistance to be used to provide additional service to southern Monterey County and northern San Luis Obispo County. A public hearing is required for the new service.
Chairperson Downey opened the Public Hearing and requested comment from members of the public.

Public Comment – none.

There being no comment from the public, Chairperson Downey requested questions from the Board.

Director LeBarre appreciates the additional service in South Monterey County and the benefit the new service will provide to those at Ft. Hunter Liggett.

Director Armenta asked if there had been any collaboration with the Department of Defense (DOD) or any data collected on the demand for the service.

Carl Sedoryk, General Manager/CEO stated that DOD funds are used as a local match for the 5311(f) grant funds and public meetings have been held in South County cities with many expressing a need for additional service. A South County study is currently being conducted by AMBAG to help identify future service needs.

Director Clark asked how long the new trip would take. Ms. Overmeyer confirmed that there would be no direct link from Monterey. The service would begin at Ft. Hunter Liggett and terminate in Templeton, with four stops along the route.

Mr. Harvath confirmed that if 5311(f) funds were used to purchase a bus for the new service, that bus would be used only for that service. If ridership does not meet expectations, MST would not apply for future funding for the route, and the bus could be deployed to serve other rural communities.

Director Theis made a motion to approve the filing of the appropriate grant application in the amount of $678,275 in federal 5311(f) funds to be used for new service from Ft. Hunter Liggett to Templeton. Director Clark seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8-1. Receive presentation from TMC staff and consider approval of Resolution 2016-28, in support of the proposed TMC Transportation and Safety and Investment Plan.

Debbie Hale, Executive Director of TMC, provided a presentation on the proposed Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, which would implement a 3/8-cent sales tax if approved by the voters of Monterey County in November 2016. The tax is anticipated to generate an estimated $600 million over the next 30 years and would be used to support local roads, regional safety, and mobility projects including increased funding for public transportation.

Public Comment – none.
Director LeBarre stated that although he does not usually support tax increases, he appreciates that the tax is raised and spent locally.

Director Barrera stated that he hoped MST would be given preference when allocating tax revenue.

Director Downey asked if any revenue was planned for the Highway 156 toll road. Ms. Hale stated that the highway project is very expensive and recommendations have been to separate that project out from the plan to ensure that all revenue is spread among the various cities for the maximum benefit.

**Director Armenta made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-28 in support of the proposed TARC Transportation and Safety and Investment Plan and was seconded by Director LeBarre. The motion passed unanimously.**


Deanna Smith, Compliance Analyst, provided a summary of the 2016-2018 EEO Program Update.

Director LeBarre asked if local colleges and high schools were included in outreach efforts for open positions at MST. Kelly Halcon, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management, stated that MST is working with Hartnell College to promote and recruit individuals from their diesel mechanics program. Some of MST’s jobs require an individual to be 21 years or older, however, as a safety requirement.

Ms. Smith stated that Ms. Halcon and she are in the process of identifying specific groups, schools, and other job support agencies that support females and minorities as part of the EEO Program’s action-oriented efforts to recruit females and minorities to MST.

Public Comment – none.

**Director LeBarre made a motion to adopt the 2016-2018 Equal Employment Opportunity Program and was seconded by Director Stephens. The motion carried unanimously.**

8-3. Authorize staff to sign purchase agreement for King City East Ranch Business Park Vacant Lot, King City, CA. Parcel # APN 026-521-031 in the amount of $470,500.

Hunter Harvath, Assistant General Manager of Finance & Administration requested the Board’s authorization for MST staff to sign a purchase agreement for the King City East Ranch Business Park vacant lot. The purchase will be funded through State of California Prop 1B funds programmed for a bus facility in southern Monterey County. The facility will house approximately 20-25 MST buses that currently serve the South County cities, but which are based at MST facilities in Monterey and Salinas.
Future labor and fuel savings are anticipated by servicing, maintaining, inspecting and storing these buses in southern Monterey County.

Public Comment – none.

**Director LeBarre made a motion to authorize staff to sign purchase agreement for King City East Ranch Business Park Vacant Lot, King City, CA. Parcel # APN 026-521-031 in the amount of $470,500. The motion was seconded by Director Armenta and passed unanimously.**

9. **REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS**

*The Board will receive and file these reports, which do not require action by the Board.*


9-4. Staff Trip Reports.

9-5. Correspondence.

10. **CLOSED SESSION**


11. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

11-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

12. **BOARD REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND REFERRALS**

12-1. Reports on meetings attended by board members at MST expense. (AB 1234).

Chairperson Downey stated that she recently attended the APTA Legislative Conference in Washington, DC, and the two most emphasized recommendations to transit employees and board members was to thank legislators for approving a five-year transportation bill, but to never rest and remain vigilant in support of public transportation.

12-2. Board member comments and announcements.

12-3. Board member referrals for future agendas.
13. ATTACHMENTS

13-1. The detailed monthly Performance Statistics and Disbursement Journal for March 2016 can be viewed online within the GM Report at http://mst.org/about-mst/board-of-directors/board-meetings/

14. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Submitted by ____________________________
Deanna Smith, Deputy Secretary