

43 dollars to purchase a 40-foot coach bus. Pocatello Regional Transit will also receive a
44 portion of funds from the Idaho DEQ. Todd Beutler commented that he has been
45 working with Melissa since 2005 and said that she is a “true problem solver” who
46 cares about impact not boundaries. This area was almost elevated to a serious
47 nonattainment status (which is not business friendly), but extensions were granted.
48 Melissa told board members that they could contact her if they had any questions.
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50 7. 2016 Financial Audit Report – Mike Kidman, Jones Simkins: Mike Kidman went
51 over the audit. The audit went well; he said that CVTD staff is always well prepared.
52 There were no findings. He said that the budgetary plan was well executed and the
53 outcomes were conservative. CVTD has budgeted for depreciation. The numbers
54 fluctuate from year to year depending on if there are capital purchases. Money that
55 has been saved is already earmarked for different expenses. Mike said that there were
56 no issues and that CVTD did a good job complying. Jeannie asked Todd Beutler
57 about the control audits that the board discussed doing in the past; Todd commented
58 that the code was changed so they no longer need to (not until they reach 200,000 in
59 population), but the board can choose to do an independent review at their discretion.
60 Jeannie Simmonds also asked Mike if they recreated financial statements from raw
61 data; Mike responded that they kind of do that in their auditing process—using
62 auditing software they compare their version with Curtis Roberts’ version to see if
63 there are any discrepancies. Mike Kidman told board members that they could contact
64 his office if they have any concerns. Roger Jones entertained a motion to accept the
65 2016 Financial Audit Report. Rodger Pond moved, Shaun Bushman seconded. Vote
66 was unanimous.
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68 8. Report on DC visit – Holly Broome-Hyer: The general manager, Todd Beutler, and a
69 member from the board go to Washington DC every year. CVTD has a partnership
70 with the Bennet and Capital Group; this relationship is critical because it keeps
71 CVTD in the sight and mind of those at Congress so that they will remember us when
72 money is coming through. Trump’s administration has what they call the 2 for 1—for
73 any new regulation that comes out they want to take away two or modify two
74 regulations. Congress is somewhat supportive of this deregulation mindset, which
75 gives CVTD an opportunity to express concern over some of the current regulations.
76 Many regulations are created with a “one size fits all” mindset, which can prove to be
77 burdensome to smaller entities that do not have the staff needed (which can in turn be
78 costly to tax payers). Because of this, Todd and Holly presented suggestions that they
79 create some common sense sizing in these regulations for smaller entities, as well as
80 ways to make regulations more consistent. These suggestions had a good reception at
81 Senator Hatch’s office and with Scott Bogren from Community Transportation
82 Associates of America (CTAA). Two-hundred transit agencies from across the nation
83 that are a similar size to CVTD can benefit from these suggestions. Todd and Holly

84 also worked with Congressman Bishop on the funding for a capital project; he
85 seemed open to it and said that he would looking into it when funding was available.

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- 87 9. Update on timeline of Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP): A preliminary draft of the
88 SRTP will be sent to the staff on June 7 to review, after which it will be put out to
89 receive public comment. The board will then have a steering committee meeting after
90 which it will be brought back to the board. Todd Beutler reminded the board that the
91 SRTP is made up of recommendations from the consultant; it is a directional study,
92 not an implementation plan. Additionally, some recommendations could take a long
93 time to implement because of budgetary restrictions or such things as bus purchase
94 (which can take as long as 24 months). Todd has been working with the committees
95 and feels good about the direction the SRTP is going. The input from the public has
96 been good with 900 responses to the service alternatives survey—the consultant
97 remarked that there has been an unusually high amount of participation.
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- 99 10. Discussion on monitoring reports: Ron Natali defined monitoring reports as an
100 opportunity to see what is being delivered. These reports are prepared by the general
101 manager (or his team) and sometimes by members of the board. Multiple members of
102 the board made comments about the length of the report—they felt that it was too
103 long and some were concerned that such length could prove to be cumbersome to the
104 staff. There was general discussion around the purpose of the monitoring reports, the
105 meaning of reasonable interpretation, and other details. It was concluded that over the
106 next several months Todd should first work on his interpretation of the policy to see if
107 it is in line before delivering further monitoring reports.
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- 109 11. Board Chair report – Roger Jones, CVTD Board Chair: Roger Jones briefly described
110 the meeting that he and Todd Beutler attended about transportation in Box Elder
111 County; they talked about how connectivity could and should be better in that area.
112 There was a good turnout and another meeting was scheduled for June 16.
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- 114 12. General Manager report: Recently, in state legislature, they created a transportation
115 taskforce to look at transit statewide (not just at UTA); it is exciting that they are even
116 having this discussion. For the triennial review, CVTD had their desk review and the
117 reviewers will be coming to CVTD June 6-7. The PEP committee has been working
118 on a 25-year celebration; as part of the celebration, they asked the staff to look into
119 creating a short video to present to local leaders. Todd shared a couple of stories from
120 passengers that were submitted online about their experiences riding CVTD. Roger
121 Jones asked Erik Ashcroft to take a moment and tell the board about his recent
122 participation in humanitarian aid in Columbia.
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- 124 13. **Adjourn:** Board Chair Roger Jones asked for a motion to adjourn. Rodger Pond
125 moved.