

**KINGSTON AREA TAXI LICENSING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Minutes of Meeting 2021-12. Meeting held Dec. 8, 2021
Via Teleconference**

PRESENT:

Commissioner Aziz

Commissioner Chapelle

Commissioner Budarick

Commissioner Abreu

Commissioner Dowser

Commissioner Fraser

Commissioner Belzile

REGRETS:

None

STAFF:

Chloe Draeger

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mark Greenwood

Brian Campbell

meeting was livestreamed on Facebook

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[Action items are bolded]**

1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

2. **Approval of additions to agenda**

MOTION to accept agenda

Moved by Commissioner Budarick

Seconded by Commissioner Chapelle

CARRIED

3. Welcoming new members

The chair welcomed new members of the Commission: Renee Belzile and Joseph Abreu.

4. POSSIBLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

5. Presentations – None.

6. Briefings

a) Commissioner Dowser advised that all Commission documents (agendas, minutes, directives, etc.) are available on the communications section of the Commission's website: www.katc.ca.

b) Commissioner Dowser delivered a statement about the ongoing public consultations regarding the possibility of a drop fare adjustment and asked concerned parties to make submissions on the topic by Dec. 31, 2021.

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c) Commissioner Aziz reported on the status of legal proceedings against commercial rideshare drivers. She stated that charges have been withdrawn and that the Commission is working with the City of Kingston and Loyalist Township to appropriately regulate ridesharing companies.

7. Motions of congratulations and recognition

Commissioner Dowser offered the Commission's congratulations to Tammy Labelle and Wilfranc Sainval, who have been awarded new accessible taxi plates.

8. Reports:

Commissioner Dowser introduced a report about the possible drop fare change and affirmed that no final decision was to be made at that meeting. He also confirmed that the committee struck to discuss the matter would be holding four public Zoom meetings before Dec. 31, 2021.

9. Miscellaneous business

a. That the Commission has issued accessible taxi plates as follows:

-Tammy Labelle, a duly licensed taxicab operator, be issued plate A107

-Wilfranc Sainval, a duly licensed taxicab operator, be issued plate A108

b. Commissioner Dowser presented regarding the adoption of a social media policy.

c. Commissioner Dowser reminded prospective applicants that the Commission must receive the full results of a CPIC criminal background check before processing the renewal of their operators' license.

d. Commissioner Dowser moved to remove the dormant plates directive (of August 2021) from the Commission's docket.

MOTION to strike down dormant plates directive

Moved by Commissioner Dowser

Seconded by Commissioner Fraser

CARRIED

e. Commissioner Dowser presented a new seal and logo for the Commission.

MOTION to adopt version #2 (with amendment) as the Commission's logo and seal

Moved by Commissioner Dowser

Seconded by Commissioner Aziz

CARRIED

10. New motions

a. That the procedure of the Commission be waived to allow Motion 21-118 to be given its first, second, and third reading. **Motion 21-118 re: Administration and Enforcement Fee, and Drop Rate (Base Fare).**

First reading

Moved by Commissioner Aziz

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Seconded by Commissioner Chapelle **CARRIED**

Second reading

Moved by Commissioner Aziz
Seconded by Commissioner Chapelle **CARRIED**

Third reading

Moved by Commissioner Aziz
Seconded by Commissioner Chapelle **CARRIED**

11. Notices on motions

- a. Commissioner Dowser introduced motion 21-119, for consideration at a future meeting.

12. Confirmation of minutes

MOTION to accept minutes of November 10, 2021 meeting
Moved by Commissioner Aziz
Seconded by Commissioner Fraser **CARRIED**

13. Communications

- a. Commissioner Dowser confirmed that forms are available on the communications tab on www.katc.ca

14. Other business

- a. The Commission’s Christmas Open House event to be postponed while there is a COVID outbreak in Kingston. To be rescheduled later.

15. By-laws:

- a. Commissioner Dowser read changes to By-law 2 adopted at November’s meeting.

16. Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on January 12, at 5:30 p.m via teleconference.

MOTION to adjourn at 6:04 p.m.
Moved by Commissioner Aziz
Seconded by Commissioner Fraser **CARRIED**

Chair

Date

Secretary

Date